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# Things in Ceneral

I hegal of St. Albert, N.W.T., said: "If any change were to be introduced we would go on fighting till we again secured straight Separate schools, just as Manitoba is going to fight till the minority gest its rights." The Orange Sentinel says: "The attitude taken in 1896 was that a province should not be coereed into establishing Separate schools, it follows that it should not be coereed into rejecting Separate schools. Consequently, the logical position for Ontario electors its to remain silent and allow the measure to become law. If the Territories are satisfied." The Catholic Register follows Bishop Legal and the Sentinel in proper order. It says: "The Register has no doubt whatever that the Government of Sir Wilfrid Laurier will maintain, every right guaranteed by the Parliament of Canada in 1875 to the minority in the North-West Territories. As we said some weeks ago, the school case in the North-West Territories is settled, and any thought of unsetting it now by throwing it back upon the prince to he could be controlled by persons which was the control of the controlled by persons and the sentinel between the controlled by the sentine of the sentine of the controlled by the sentine of the sentine

when the matter is dealt with by the Dominion House it is a Dominion question, decided by the members of the Dominion Parliament—and the responsibility for whatever action is taken rests solely with the members of the Dominion Parliament. If the Federal Government desires to avoid the responsibility of tying the new provinces up to Separate schools forever, all it has to do is carry the autonomy legislation through without making any reference to Separate schools. Let it leave the new provinces free to deal with their school system or systems as they think best. If the West is so thoroughly satisfied with the present system, why should it be necessary for the Federal Government to cause itself inestimable trouble and annoyance by foreing the people to accept something with which they are already provided and with which they find no fault? Why should the Bishops and the Catholic Register persist in their demands for a Federal law guaranteeing Separate schools, when they have them already and when the people, it is claimed, are satisfied with them? Yet "the Register has no doubt whatever that the Government of Sir Wilfrid Laurier will maintain every right guaranteed by the Parliament of Canada in 1875 to the minority in the North-West Territories." The fact is that the people of the West are not satisfied with Separate schools, but have been fighting them and gradually stamping them out ever since the majority of the people were no longer under the control of the priests. Realizing this, the Hierarchy is making a desperate fight to have provision for Separate schools form a part of the constitution of the new provinces before they are finally reformed by the Territorial Government to such an extent that they will exist in name only. It remains to be seen whether the Dominion Government will follow the line adopted by Sir Wilfrid Laurier when he first came into power or turn a complete handspring and attempt to play the game that put Sir Charles Tupper out of business.

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trar of the University, is unable to be present at the investigation. It is claimed by some of those interested in the matter that he would prove a most valuable witness, could he be induced to the control of the con gation. It is claimed by some of those interested in the matter that he would prove a most valuable witness, could he be induced to return to Toronto and give evidence. The plan recommended by the Committee—that of putting the questions which it is desired that he should answer into writing and taking his answers under oath—is a good alternative to his coming back, but it is in no sense so satisfactory as an examination and cross-examination in the witness-box. The objection to Mr. Brebner's return is not unlike that which may be made by other witnesses. Some of them, I believe, no longer reside in Toronto, and would be put to great inconvenience in coming here to give evidence. They sarely can not be expected to abandon their interests and incur considerable travelling expenses without some remuneration. Their expenses at least should be paid. And this brings up the question of the counsels' fees. Granted that the party making the charges which brought about this investigation followed the course he did from no personal motives—as I believe to be the case—but from a desire to correct an abuse which could not fail to injure the University, it seems unreasonable to expect that he should engage a lawyer at his own expense to conduct the prosecution, when he has nothing to gain and probably a considerable liability to incur by so doing. The uncertainty as to who is responsible for the fees of the counsel appointed to represent the dissatisfied students is likely to cause some hesitation on the part of certain undergraduates who may have information to give, but have not the means, or perhaps the desire, to render themselves liable likely to cause some hesitation on the part of certain under-graduates who may have information to give, but have not the means, or perhaps the desire, to render themselves liable

tion whether it will be gratefully accepted by many of those to whom it is directed. A summons, while less courteous, will, I think, prove more effective. Doubtless this form of invitation will be adopted in case the request prove unsatisfactory.

It is greatly to be regretted that Mr. Brebner, the Registrar of the University, is unable to be present at the investingation. It is claimed by some of those interested in the matter that he would prove a most valuable witness, could he be abstracted, that duty is demanded and collected on non-dutiable articles, and no satisfaction is obtainable when complaints are made concerning the unreliability of the service. The North-West is not the only place where criticism of the postal service might be indulged in with freedom. During the last few months it is not infrequently that letters addressed to this office have never reached their destination and letters sent from here have not arrived. During the last two weeks I have received fully half-a-dozen complaints from correspondents in regard to such miscarriages—and perhaps I have not received all that have been addressed to me. Sir William Mulock would do well to have a look over his department to see whether the working of it is as satisfactory as it is cheap. as it is cheap.

THE Pope is evidently determined that President Roosevelt shall not occupy unchallenged the position of chief butter-in in the international arena. His rebuke to the Crar for the continuance of disorders and bloodshed in Russia and his pointed comment on the war with Japan make Mr. Roosevelt's expressions of disapproval of the Kishineff massacre appear rather cheap by comparison. While it is undoubted that the Russian troubles are painful for any peacoloving man to observe, it must be remembered that the Russian people—including the Russian Czar and Governmentrightfully regard their mix-ups as their own, in which any outside interference or suggestions are distasteful. The sympathy of the entire civilized world is with the Russian people,

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THE New York and Vermont fishermen, who made complaints to the Canadian Government in regard to alleged depredations committed by Canadian fishermen in the St. Lawrence River and Lake Champlain, have now apthe St. Lawrence River and Lake Champlain, have now appealed to President Roosevelt to take the matter up with the Dominion officials and have the alleged wrongs righted. Had this course been taken in the first place, it is very likely that a satisfactory result would already have been reached. If citizens of the United States have any claim to make against the Dominion of Canada, such claims should be made through their own Government. President Roosevelt's promise to place the case before Earl Grey has evidently been misunderstood by some of the sensational Yankee papers, which interpret the President's promise as a snub to the Laurier Government. The belief is evidently still common in the United States that the Governor-General is a sort of final court of appeal, and that he is free to act independently of his constiappeal, and that he is free to act independently of his constitutional advisers and in opposition to their wishes. President Roosevelt's expressed intention to place the case before Lord Grey is merely another way of saying he intends to call the attention of the Dominion Government to the matter.

A T a recent general meeting of the famous Barr Colonists, who came to Canada from England a couple of years ago with a great beating of drums and tooting of horns, and settled in the North-West Territories, very grave charges were brought against the Post-office Pearst. appeal, and that he is free to act independently of his consti

of norms, and settled in the North-West Territories, very grave charges were brought against the Post-office Department, charges which should be investigated without delay Like a great many Englishmen who come to Canada, these Barr people have been able to demonstrate that they are expectable of the control of the contr Barr people have been able to demonstrate that they are ex-pert kickers of a high order. They seem to have come to Canada with the expectation that they were to be regarded as conferring a great favor on us by their presence—and per-haps they were a little disappointed when the Governor-General failed to meet them at the wharf at Halifax and show show them to their new country seats. They fought among themselves nearly all the way out to their place of location and had a free fight with their pilot—Mr. Barr—when they got there. Under ordinary circumstances their complaints in

for a bill of costs. Students as a rule are not rolling in wealth, as in many cases their parents still live, and as a san unwarranted impertinence on the part of a foreign polarized annot be expected to take up a case and conduct if from mere enthusiasm, the Committee should guarantee his fees, that every obstacle to obtaining complete evidence may be removed. However, there is every reason to believe that this Committee means business and will leave nothing undone to get at the truth. That is what both parties to the dispate demand, and that is what the people of the province expect.

The New York and Vermont fishermen, who made complaints to the Canadian Government in regard to alleged depredations committed by Canadian fishermen in legeral to the North-West Separate school question now occupying our own attention, he is reported to have "insisted" cupying our own attention, he is reported to have "insisted" on having the Separate schools conceded to his church—and all self-respecting Canadians must regard such "tissistence" as impertinent. It is not unnatural that the Czar and Government of Russia should view his unsolicited suggestions concerning the settlement of Russian troubles in much the same light. Russia is at present undergoing an experience not likely to make her work sweet temperate than the insurance of the same light. concerning the settlement of Russian troubles in much the same light. Russia is at present undergoing an experience not likely to make her more sweet-tempered than she is under ordinary circumstances—and it will be wise for any foreign rulers or governments to stand clear and permit her to wrestle with the problem in her own way. The well-meaning meddler is never welcome. The surest way to get oneself disliked is to take a hand in a family quarrel.

A SUGGESTIO. has been made in regard to the unsatisfactory King street car service which deserves the immediate attention of the management of the Toronto Railway Company. It is to have King and Queen streets provided with a loop line as well as with the independent service for each street. As King street forms a junction with Queen street at both the east and the west ends of the city, such a loop-line service could be introduced without any considerable expense or delay. This seems to me the most satisfactory solution of the problem of congested traffic on the main cross-town lines.

I T was generally thought, when Mr. Whitney first rounded up the members of his Cabinet and branded them, that the care he exercised in blending the representatives of various religious beliefs—in so far as religions can be represented by politicians—was to be commended as good politics though it was altogether unstatesmanlike. Now the wisdom of his action, even when judged by the standard of cheap politics, seems at least doubtful. If his catering to sects had been permitted to pass without comment, it would have been all right—from Mr. Whitney's standpoint—but so much criticism has been indulged in that the attention of the people

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has been called to his methods, and the result is jeaiousy and discontent on the part of those whose supposed interests have been overlooked. The Montreal Gazette, in commenting on the religious complexion of the Cabinet, says:

It has been discovered that there is not a Presbyterian in the new Ontario Government. The opportunity is one for the Presbyterians of the province to show themselves to be worthy followers of the men who created their faith, by refusing to become agitated over the situation. There is no reason why there should be a Presbyterian in any Government in Canada. The Presbyterian has no interest different from that of men who are not Presbyterians.

Of course there is no reason why there should be a Presbyterian member of the Cabinet—but neither should there be (as such) any Roman Catholic, Methodist or Anglican, holding a Cabinet position. The principle of creed representation in either Cabinet or House is indefensible, but once such a principle is recognized, the Presbyterians and all other religious bodies have a right to regard their being overlooked as an affront—and the surest way in which a stop can be put to the practice of placing certain gentlemen at the heads of various departments, not because of their ability, but because they happen to profess a certain religious belief, is by encouraging those churches which are overlooked to demand the same treatment that is accorded other denominations. This would bring the question to a head and expose the absurdity of the practice. If all the religious bodies of Canada were to demand Cabinet representation there wouldn't be nearly enough positions to go round—and as they couldn't make every member of the House a Cabinet Minister without portfolio, the party leaders would be forced either to abandon sectarian favoritism or to give offence to a considerable portion of the population.

A STORY that the Gamey charges are to be reinvestigated has got abroad. This seems to be another indication that the Tories don't know what to do with their new

THE Chief of Police has written a letter asking that railings be placed on University avenue at appropriate places to prevent pedestrians who are in a hurry or are inconsiderate from walking on the grass of the boulevards in making a short-cut. Niagara Falls cannot be stopped by a broom, and if the people will not recognize the propriety of not injuring the grass in their hurry by taking short cuts across it, barriers that would not be unsightly will not prevent them. Policemen's uniforms or two-foot barriers never taught people good manners, aestheticism or consideration in this world. It is a matter that will have to be left to the taste of the people. If the people who consider themselves joint owners of the highway choose to diminish its attractiveness, it will require something more than a two-foot railing to prevent them. revent them. 1 17

prevent them.

CALGARY, Edmonton and Red Deer have respectively sent deputations to Ottawa to advocate their several claims to be the capital of the prospective province of which they are at present important commercial centers. Under any circumstances, the decision of such a question is fruitful of unpleasant consequences to the Government. The rivalry of neighboring Ontario towns in matters varying from hockey to manufacturing sometimes approaches a degrae that rivals the intense antagonism of some of the clans of the Scottish Highlands in other days, but in the booming towns of the Canadian North-West it is a matter of self-interest as well as of association and tradition. The question of deciding the Federal capital at Confederation became of such bitter interest in Canada that the decision had to be left to the monarch, and even yet Montreal feels that the choice of Ottawa is the one flaw in the blameless life of the late Queen. For the peace of Ottawa it is to be hoped that the wild and woolly Western deputations from Calgary, Edmonton and Red Deer are quartered at different hotels and that efforts are made to prevent their meeting. The rotunda of the Russell House might be, perchance, the scene of a conflict that would disturb the saunterings of the lobbyist and the fitful slumbers of the Senators in the arm-chairs. Sir Wilfrid Laurier is to be sympathized with. Frank Oliver, M.P. for Alberta, is a resident of Edmonton, which has loyally supported him in local and federal contests for years. Sir Wilfrid has already had considerable difficulty in roping the "wild steer of the Western plains," as Mr. Oliver is affectionately called, on ordinary party divisions. One can imagine the rampage that will ensue on the floor of the House if Edmonton is not named as the capital of the Province of Alberta. It will take two sessions at least to get Mr. Oliver back into the corral again.

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M. R. DONALD McMASTER, K.C., the distinguished Montreal lawyer, is about to leave for England, where he will practice before the Judicial Committee of the Privy Council. Hon. Edward Blake has been engaged in like practice for several years. Many of the prominent members of the Canadian Bar have at different times held briefs at the highest court in the British Empire. The fact that eminent Canadian lawyers find it profitable to practice before the Privy Council shows not only the growth of transactions in Canada of sufficient importance to warrant an appeal to London, but also that the professional standing of Canadians is sufficiently high to insure the briefs being given to them. What with quick communication between the Motherland and the outlying parts of the Empire, the interchange of men of the highest intellectual rank, and the trend of trade, there are probably greater forces silently working towards the realization of the dream of Imperial Federation than could be set in motion by any clearly defined plan outlined by even such a brilliant man as Joseph Chamberlain.

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CORRESPONDENTS of a number of Paris newspapers, who interviewed General Stoessel and some of the most bitter animosity to exist between the military and naval commanders and between various factions in the navy. General Stoessel and Admiral Lockinsky—a particularly happy name for one of the defenders of Port Arthur—are reported to be not on speaking or saluting terms, while Admiral Lockinsky has expressed his determination to denounce General Stoessel, Admiral Skrydloff, Admiral Alexieff and pretty nearly everyone else—probably General Stoessel on his arrival at St. Petersburg. If these reports are true—and such a condition is easily understood—the fall of Port Arthur is not remarkable. Nothing can succeed while quarrels are rife in the ranks of a party which should be united. The troubles of General Stoessel cannot yet be fully appreciated. The irresistible attacks of the Japanese were sufficiently distracting without the commander's being forced to struggle against cowardly and treacherous enemies within the fortress. The action of the Russian navy was from first to last contemptible. On no occasion did it attempt to put up a good fight, and whenever it did make a faint-hearted bluff it invariably sneaked back behind the guns of the fortress as soon as Admiral Togo came within effective range. In spite of the charges made by the correspondent of the London Times,

who claims that Stoessel had no good reason to surrender when he did, and in spite of the malicious attacks of the dis-credited naval officers, general Stoessel has the admiration of the world for his brilliant defence of Port Arthur for many months after the most competent authorities had proor the world for his brilliant defence of Port Arthur for many months after the most competent authorities had pronounced such a defence hopeless. His forces never failed to give a good account of themselves, and no position was surrendered so long as human courage and endurance could beat off as heroic and skilful attacks as have been delivered in the history of modern warfare. The correspondent of the London Times may be a competent judge—he may know what he is talking about when he criticizes the defence—but I should prefer to place reliance in the judgment of a tried soldier of Stoessel's standing, when the point to be decided is the powers of endurance of a fort, than in the opinion of a thoroughly competent but unmilitary newspaper correspondent. There can be no doubt that the Russian general put up a great fight. The fact that he failed should not rob him of credit for what he did. He knew he had nothing to gain by surrendering, and it is only reasonable to suppose that he held out as long as his means of defence would justify. The idea that fear prompted his decision to surrender is absurd. Any man who went through what he endured for months can never be justly accused of cowardice. His surrender can be explained only by admitting that it was the only sane course. explained only by admitting that it was the only sane course open to him. In every modern war newspaper correspondents have made and unmade reputations with the same freedom as that with which they cable and telegraph lies to their dom as that with which they cable and telegraph lies to their employers. The newspaper man is supposed to be sent to the front to report facts, not to sit in final judgment on the tactics of tried generals. When he knows and does too much he becomes a mischief-maker with very great possibilities. It is a common habit among persons of unlovely disposition to jump on anyone who happens to get floored and to kick his ribs in—no matter how good a fight he may have put up before being beaten. Newspaper correspondents at the front in the present war, and the Russian military authorities at St. Petersburg who are about to court-martial the only one of their generals who has distinguished himself, seem to divide between them the available supply of the undesirable trait of character which prompts this "kick him when he's down" attitude. All the rest of the world regards Stoessel as a hero.

M ILITARISM is supposed to have as high a worldly code as any human organization. There is more rot talked about the honor and dignity of an officer than about anything else in ife. The institution, descended as it has to us from the days of chivalry, seems to largely consist of bombastic affectation and arrogant pretence. Don Quixote laughed the knight-errant out of civilization and he has never been replaced except by the prize-fighter and the ward bully. The teachings of the military or knightly code of old



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was at least sportsmanlike. They are supposed to exist, unwritten but understood, in the militarism of the present day. But there is no greater "squealing" in the world than in militarism, no more petty squabbling and jealousies, and no greater anxiety to blame the other fellow, than among those greater anxiety to blame the other fellow, than among those who dress themselves in modifications of the knightly apparel of old. So early as the Peninsular war Wellington's operations were seriously handicapped in the beginning by some of his subordinates who would not "play the game." Sir Charles Napier, one of the finest of the British generals in the Napoleonic wars, spent the latter part of his life writing "squealing" letters to the Times. The deposition of Lord Raglan from his command in the Crimea is something that we of British race are not fond of talking about. The controversy as to the blame for the discomfiture of an obscure Indian engagement between Lord Clyde and Sir Charles Windham, the hero of the Redan, is not ended yet, although troversy as to the blame for the discomitture of an obscure Indian engagement between Lord Clyde and Sir Charles Windham, the hero of the Redan, is not ended yet, although both the principals are dead. The military part of the Empire yet wrangle over the evidence as to the merits of half-adozen British general field-officers of the late Boer war and say very unpleasant things. "I shall take my Christmas dinner in Pretoria" is yet thrown in "good old Buller's" teeth. If any particular petty tempest arises on the political horizon even in a country like Canada, with its marked national distant for militarium, there is frequently the odor of pipe-glay even in a country like Canada, with its marked national dis-taste for militarism, there is frequently the odor of pipe-clay about it. And now, with the world standing almost aghast at the slaughter in the war in the Orient, there has come a word-slanging war as to the surrender of Port Arthur. The land forces blame the fleet and the sailors blame Stoessel; some of Stoessel's officers blame him, and the newspaper correspond-ents blame everybody. Truly, barbaric war waged under civ-lized conditions gives rise to strange complications. The first

Stoessel's officers blame him, and the newspaper correspondents blame everybody. Truly, barbaric war waged under civized conditions gives rise to strange complications. The first principles of the mimic battleground of the cricket and lacrosse fields teach that if defeat comes it is part of the game to lose well. The code of the playgrounds is above that of militarism, despite the dubious saying of the Iron Duke as to where British battles were won. Stoessel himself seems to have played the game with less pettiness than the usual general under a storm of attack is goaded into.

SOME of the Conservative newspapers are calling for the dismissal of Mr. Thomas Wing of Thessalon, an Algoma Crown Lands agent, and of Dr. McKay of Pembroke, the holder of a clerkship of one of the lower courts of the province. The former was a candidate for parliamentary honors who had resigned his office to become one. Upon his defeat he was reappointed, the office being kept vacant supposedly to provide for such a contingency. Dr. McKay is accused of having been an active partizan in several of the late contests in North Renfrew, defending the late Government on the public platform and attacking the arguments of the Opposition, which is now the dominant party in provincial affairs. Both gentlemen are presumedly intelligent and probably understood the risk they ran when they took the action they did. The Whitney Government is not as yet displaying any disposition towards revenge or reprisal against the beneficiaries of the successive Liberal Governments which kent the Conservative party in Opposition for over three decades. Mr. Whitney may not be a man that stands out "large" on the political horizon, but nobody has accused the Conservative leader of Ontario of being a meanly spiteful man. It is safe to say in spite of all the temptations that must-clamor in the ears of a leader from the hangers-on of a party that has been deprived of the sweets and perquisites of office since the wheels of Confederation began to run smoothly, that Mr. vincial civil service. Mr. Whitney, to the amusement even of his friends, seemed since his annointment as Conservative leader, to consider it somewhat in the nature of a nersonal wrong that he and his party should be deprived of a chance at governing the province. The contention has an atom of force when viewed from the outside, but it is a little amusing when a political leader scolds because he is being deprived of "his turn." Having this remarkable personal feeling in his nolitical campaign for power, it might be supposed that Mr Whitney would be prone to indulge his rancor against his defeated foe. Those who know Mr. Whitney and the dominant influence in his Cabinet best say there is little danger of the doctrine of the spoils of political warfare belonging to the victor being applied during his régime. It is confidently asserted that the dismissals from the civil service in Ontario will be comparatively few and that those few will be for unquestioned cause. Strenuous partizan politicians like Mr. Wing and Dr. McKay might, under favoring conditions, to able to hop out of or into offices as suited their personal feelings and not the public service, but gentlemen with these jumping-jack qualities should be careful to indulge them in the direction that the political cat jumps. It is sometimes hard to tell, and those who miscalculate, according to the mritten rules of the game, should lose. In the public desire for non-interference by civil servants in partizan politics, these two gentlemen may not be allowed to retain office, but if they are intelligent enough to have held office they must have known the possible penalty.

Someone the Lord-Lieutenancy of Ireland, after a most successful régime, that he pitied his successor. Hon. Mr. Monteith. Ontario's new Minister of Agriculture, has with consummate tact gracefully acknowledged a somewhat similar position he is placed in with regard to his succession to Hon. Mr. Dryden. In his address to the Farmers' Institutes, convened in Toronto the other day, Hon. Mr. Monteith said: "I have been singularly fortunate—possibly in one sense unfortunate—in following a gentleman who has done much for agriculture, in Ontario, who has filled his position with credit to himself and hencit to the province. I trust as much may be said of me when my successor in office is appointed. Our success will depend largely upon the loyal and hearty co-operation of all who are interested in the development of the agricultural interests of Ontario." Our provincial politics are not altogether Gameyism and coquetting with temperature and lines.

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the family is a domestic matter entirely, and it may be that the husband can lease a part of his wife's house or seek refuge in the woodshed and vote as a tenant. Mr. Spence will have to see that the husband and wife, in defiance of the principle of British law that man and wife are one, do not divide themselves for the purposes of an election only and

S UGGESTIONS are being made to the Ontario Government in the press, pointing to reference in the S UGGESTIONS are being made to the Ontario Government in the press, pointing to reforms in the provincial courts. More extensive jurisdiction is recommended in the County Courts particularly, with a corresponding increase of remuneration to the County Court judges. It is admitted that several of the County Court judges throughout the province have very little to do. An increase of the jurisdiction of the County Courts would have the effect of withdrawing a considerable amount of litigation from the High Court where it is necessarily or unnecessarily expensive. The removal of a part of the litigation to the County Courts would be of great advantage to litigants, and in some degree to the country at large, as the procedure is less intricate and the facilities for trial or adjudication less unwieldy. The Superior Courts at Osgoode Hall are at times clogged with the mass of litigation that accumulates, and the progress of a case is frequently delayed by the engagement of a trial judge in the Divisional Court or in the Court of Appeal. It may be that the members of the County Court Bench of Ontario are not of quite so high standing professionally as their brethren of the Superior Courts, but that they are not perfectly competent to adjudicate in an average law-suit no one seriously thinks. potent to Superior Courts, but that they are not perfectly competent to adjudicate in an average law-suit no one seriously hinks. The personnel of the County Court Bench is high and the standing of many of its members at the Bar has been as good as that of many members of the High Court Anything that will minimize the expenses of a law-suit or facilitate a decision should be pressed upon a Government which already shows a disposition to simplify the wearisome process of the law.

### Social and Personal.

Mrs. David R. Gourlay (née Burnett) held her postnuptial reception on Wednesday at 21 Delaware avenue, wearing her white silk robe des noces, and assisted by her mother and mother-in-law. Mrs. Breckenridge (née Gourlay), with the bridal attendants, had charge of the tea-room, which was very ridal-like in white and green flowers and lights.

Mrs. Brown of Dawson, formerly a well-known woman urnalist over the nom de plume of "Faith Fenton," gave a ournalist over the nom de plume of "Faith Fenton," gave a ecture this week on the far North, which was most interest arrived by a very nice audience. Mrs Brown's meeting with her clever hasband, a Government of cial in the Yukon, took place shortly after her arrival there and her marriage soon followed, and was duly recorded and lescribed in this column. Dr. and Mrs. Brown have been pending this winter in Parkdale with friends.

Mrs. Charles H. Mortimer will receive on the remaining Mondays in February and the first Monday in March, and afterwards on the second and fourth Mondays.

Miss Lotta Fraser of Quebec is visiting Mrs. A. L. East-

Mrs. J. M. Mackenzie gave a very pretty tea on Wednesday t her home in Madison avenue.

Mrs. W. De Leigh Wilson gave a charming bridge and tea on Thursday at her pretty residence, Olitrim, Upper Walmer

Captain and Mrs. John Kay have come from Wolseley stationed. Their many Toronto friends are delighted to have them once more back in Toronto, from which their happy marriage took place some years ago. Captain and Mrs. Kay are for the present *on pension* at 159 Bloor street east.

The Toronto Canoe Club At Home will be held in Me Conkey's on the 24th inst. To assure the comfort and pleasure of those attending, only a limited number of tickets have been disposed of. The At Home will be under the patronage of Mrs. E. E. King, Mrs. James Oliver, Mrs. George R. Baker, Mrs. J. O. Oliver, Mrs. Harry Ford, Mrs. J. G. Ramsay, Mrs. E. A. Blackhall, Mrs. N. A. Powell, Mrs. T. D. Bailey, Mrs. George A. Howell, Mrs. T. P. Stewart, Mrs. C. H. Willson

The Signal Corps and Maxim Gun Squad dance in the Temple ball-room takes place next Thursday evening, and is already assured of great éclat. The music of the Q.O.R. band will be an attraction and that "grave-opener" two-step of which I spoke last week will put ginger into one dance, even where extra condiments are quite superfluous. Some Hamilton guests are expected for this dance.

The National Chorus, under Dr. Ham, will give their much-anticipated concert on the 28th. Victor Herbert is to come with his New York orchestra and will also play a 'cello

Mr. and Mrs. P. D. Gordon of Montreal, Mr. and Mrs. Thorne of Hawkesbury, Mr. and Mrs. G. A. White, Mr. W. H. Mathews, of Trenton; Mrs. A. Jenks, Miss Dallas, Mrs. Proctor, Captain Miller, Miss Kemp, Mrs. F. J. Boswell, Dr. MacMurchy, ....s MacMarchy, Mrs. and Miss Greenwood, Mr. and Mrs. J. Macdonald, Mrs. S. G. Beatty, Miss Beatty, of Toronto; Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Watkins, Mrs. O. G. Carscallen, Miss Proctor, Mrs. Leslie, Dr. and Mrs. Gaviller, Miss Bristol, of Hamilton; Mr. Oscar P. Benson, Mrs. W. L. Bryant, Mr. and Mrs. I. F. Cragia, Miss Woolson, of Buffalo; Mr. and Mrs. Gaskin of Niagara Falls, N.Y., are recently registered at the Welland, St. Catharines.

Miss Florence M. Davis, who has been spending the past month with Miss Edith Folwell of Philadelphia, will return to Toronto on Saturday. Miss Folwell will accompany her, and will visit her cousins, Dr. and Mrs. Piersol, 26 Albany avenue, until the 18th. During the remainder of her stay she will be with her aunt, Mrs. W. J. Davis, 67 Pembroke street. Mrs. and Miss Davis will not receive until Monday, February

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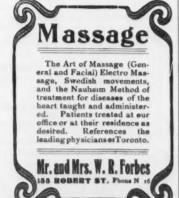
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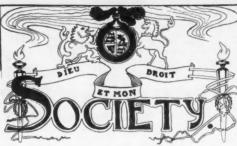
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EVER since the Historic Ball of the Victorian Era has Toronto society rejoiced in such a charming sight as that afforded by the Daughters of the Empire and their friends at the Valentine night costume ball in the King Edward on Tuesday. Those who had doubted the possibilities of paper as a tume ball in the King Edward on Tuesday. Those who had doubted the possibilities of paper as a dress material found themselves doubting once more, whether the exquisite, effective and dainty costumes, which made a very bewilderment of beauty, could possibly be formed of paper after all. But they were; every lady who danced in the various sets wore paper, and paper only, for her frock, and when the opening Lancers were formed the touch of a match would have been followed by a universal conflagration that in two minutes would have sent every frock up in smoke. Before the dance, however, there was a grand march, which took place immediately on the arrival of His Honor and the Government House party. From some Aladdin cave of wondrous fashions and conceits came the men and maids, two and two, following His Honor and Mrs. Mortimer Clark, Miss Clark and Commander Law, with whom was Mr. Ernest Cattanach, a most able and courteous chief steward of the beautiful dance. The patronesses and their escorts led the long line of beauties and their cavaliers. Mrs. Nordleimer, president of the Order, was in a silver grey satin striped faille gown, with bands of pale orange velvet as trimming, and with a lovely white pompadour wig and curls, and a wee *chou* of orange velvet fastened with diamonds. Herrefined and aristocratic type exactly suited the picturesque coiffure. Mrs. MacMahon wore a golden brown brocade with fichu bertha of deep white lace and her own hair powdered and rolled. The two ladies represented, respectively, an English and a French aristocrat of early Canada. a wee chow of orange velvet fastened with diamonds. Her refined and aristocratic type exactly suited the picturesque coiffure. Mrs. MacMahon wore a golden brown brocade with fichu bertha of deep white lace and her own hair powdered and rolled. The two ladies represented, respectively, an English and a French aristocrat of early Canada. Mrs. J. I. Davidson wore pink chiffon and brocade and diamonds with coiffure poudrée. Mrs. Bruce was in white with many pink roses. The fair, rosy tint of the two latter patronesses is particularly pretty and youthfullooking with powdered hair. Mrs. Campbell Macdonald and Mrs. Mackenzie Alexander, chaperones respectively of the Scotch and English sets, wore white; they shared responsibility with Mrs. E. F. B. Johnston and Mrs. G. P. Reid, the former in black and pink and the latter in black with huge pink paper mums on her bodice, and Mrs. Davidson, who was with Mrs. Campbell Macdonald, matron of the bonnie thistles. A very fetching set was Ireland, for which Mrs. Angus Sinclair was the convener. The peasant girls, in Colleen Bawn paper gowns and red cloaks, with a plentiful sprinkling of shamrocks and the emigrant's bundle and shillelah, having the tallest and handsomest 'boys" in the ball. Mrs. Nordheimer arranged a "Navy set," who wore Watteau costumes and powder, and were lovely; the men wore gold buttons and gold lace on their evening coats, which is regulation sea-dog gala adornment. Mrs. Septimus Denison arranged a very dashing set à la militaire, for which she had the material at her finger-tips, the gallants being officers of the permanent corps and the maids wearing their scarlet skirits, black and gold mess jackets, and saucy tricorns over coiffures poudrées with perfect success. The men were in the mess uniform and took the grand march in their natty peaked white caps, having retained them in order to give the military salute to the Lieutenant-Governor. London and Hamilton each sent a set of beauties and beaux. The former set, arranged by Mrs. Peters, Mrs. Young (who

Mr. Long, Mr. Barker, Mr. McWilliams. Valentines—Miss McTavish, Miss Darling, Miss Hodgins, Miss Gordon, Miss Cosby, Miss I. Cosby, Miss Phillips, Miss Macleod, Mr. Wallace, Mr. Reid, Mr. Temple, Mr. Kerr, Mr. Case, Mr. Beardmore, Mr. Boone, Mr. Maclaurin. Daffodils—Miss D. Sylvester, Miss T. Phillips, Miss A. Morrison, Miss J. McMurrich, Miss V. Maulson, Miss T. Madden, Miss M. Pearson, Miss L. Duggan, Mr. G. Alexander, Mr. B. Rogers, Mr. S. Bunting, Mr. A. Suckling, Mr. W. Duggan, Mr. R. Kleiser, Mr. B. Austin, Mr. J. Morrison. Poppies—Miss A. Young, Miss K. O'Hara, Miss Lowndes, Miss E. Smith, Miss M. White, Miss L. Warwick, Miss B. Pearson, Miss Turner, Mr. A. Massey, Mr. Cavendish, Mr. F. Sutherland, Mr. J. Sutherland, Mr. S. Cassels, Miss B. Warren, Miss Y. Nordheimer, Miss W. Heron, Miss A. Boulton, Mr. E. Cattanach, Mr. R. Murphy, Mr. Fellowes, Mr. Lindsay, Mr. V. Heron, Mr. H. Wylie, Mr. C. Wood, Mr. M. Rathbun, When the various sets in their polonaise (grand march) passed the dais they saluted His Honor and Mrs. Mortimer Clark, but when the Daughters of the Empire arrived they paused, the band struck up the National Anthem, and everyone sang God Save the King. Many beautiful and original paper fancy dresses were worn by dancers not identified with sets. Mrs. J. B. MacLean wore a most effective peacock dress, made from the peacock feather design of crèpe paper. The skirt was double and the whole effect splendid. A more elaborate peacock dress was Miss Elsie Keefer's, who wore a headdress of the real bird, and had her plenteous hair braided in a crown across her brows and powdered in gold. She also had a peacock feather paper gown, the flounces edged with The skirt was double and the whole effect splendid. A more elaborate peacock dress was Miss Elsie Keefer's, who wore a headdress of the real bird, and had her plenteous hair braided in a crown across her brows and powdered in gold. She also had a peacock feather paper gown, the flounces edged with real feathers and a Cleopatra sheaf of feathers as a fan. The effect was most regal. Mrs. Arthur Massey wore a beautiful lace costume over deep rose silk. Mrs. Machray was lovely in pink and white with a pink paper hat crowned with flowers and a coiffure à la Marie Antoinette. Mrs. Heber Starr of New York wore pink brocade. Mrs. French was a spring fancy in green and yellow, an iris costume. Mrs. B. B. Cronyn was in white with touches of deep cerise. Miss Florrie Heward was a dainty little Valentine in white crêpe paper and red hearts, with Alsatian bow of white studded with hearts in the hair. Mrs. Arthur Pepler wore a black jetted gown, and pink flowers. Miss Telfer of Collingwood, who is spending the winter in town, was very smartly gowned in pink silk crêpe de Chine, smocked with tiny pearls. Mrs. Lally McCarthy was very prettily gowned, and Miss White of Ottawa, and Miss Toller, an Ottawan also, visiting friends in town, wore smart and becoming gowns. Mrs. Alec Mackenzie was very sweet in a white gown, and Mrs. Arthur Grantham looked very well. Mrs. Angus Kirkland wore a strikingly handsome New York bride, was in white satin. Mrs. Morang was most lovely as a pack of cards, a trelliswork of clubs, spades, hearts and diamonds being most dashingly arranged over her bertha and gown of crêpe paper. Miss McCutcheon was in silver grey brocade. Quite the loveliest woman at the dance was Mrs. Adam Beck of London, who came as "Folly," in palest blue crêpe paper, relieved with white and silver, and a lofty Folly cap and bells. Her wold-fashioned girls" and their beaux, was a very imperial regent in a shimmering robe of pailletted Eminence tulle and chitton, the full skirt and angel sleeves glistening as she led ther group o Jordilling of stammercks and the emigrant's bounds and shiftMrs. Nordheime arranged a "Nays st," who over West and a state of the sta

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N Wednesday the news of the illness of Countess Grey was flashed over the wires to Toronto, His Honor and Mrs. Mortimer Clark being notified of the disappointing fact, and the telegram furthermore postponing the viceregal visit indefinitely. This contretemps upset many hospitable plans and invitations which had been made and issued, and is greatly regretted by everyone. It has been known for some time that one of the Ladies Grey has been visited by an attack of that infantile complaint, measles, but it was not anticipated that the tiresome epidemic would spread in the viceregal family. Unfortunately I hear that such has been the case, and as warmth and rest are the most absolute necessities in such illness, there could be no chance of the visit of the Greys just now. Universal sympathy is with those who have been unsparing of effort to give Lord Grey and his Countess the gladdest of glad hands on their initial visit to the Queen City of Ontario. N Wednesday the news of the illness of Counter

Among the postponed festivities are the State banquet at overnment House, the gala dinner at the Toronto Club, the arge invitation reception at Government House on Friday ifternoon, and a very smart luncheon at the Hunt Club, of which the Master was to have been the host, on Thursday, I elieve. The magnificent ball to have been given by the ommodore and members of the Royal Canadian Yacht lub was also at once postponed, the promoters receiving in ood faith the earnest assurances of the disappointment their ood faith the earnest assurances of the disappointment their iccreegal guests would suffer if they were not able to particiate in the event. The Commodore telegraphed to propose a ate in Easter week—April 24—which was being considered by His Excellency. This is the night before the opening of the Horse Show, and will be on that account a most suitable and convenient date. The list of possible invitations had been little over-filled when the telephone apprised the Commodore of the illness of Countess Grey, so that in any case many the had neglected getting their names before the committee. dore of the illness of Countess Grey, so that in any case many who had neglected getting their names before the committee won't be so much chagrined as if the ball had gone on. Also many persons secured invitations especially because His Excellency and his party were coming, and would have been displeased to find the guests of honor non est. Altogether it seemed the wise and considerate course to postpone the ball, and such was accordingly hoped to be the decision of the committee at the meeting on Thursday.

Mrs. T. H. Gagnier of 82 Chestnut Park road, Rosedale, ill receive on the 20th and 21st of this month, and afterards on the third and fourth Tuesdays of each month.

Doric's At Home, which is to be held at the King Edward on Friday evening. 24th inst., promises to be the social event of the season in Masonic annals. The committee having it in charge have gone to great trouble to make it a brilliant affair, both as a social function and as to decorations, and one that will add another to the many noted evenings which Doric Lodge has provided in the past for their guests. Full Masonic regalia will be worn on this occasion, and as a special effort has been made to prevent overcrowding those attending can be assured of comfort.

The many friends of Mr. John H. Esten will regret to arn he is leaving the city to take a position at Vancouver, C. He will visit some of the old C. P. snowshoe members

Congratulations are sent from many friends to Mr. and rs. J. S. MacKinnon on the arrival last Monday of a son

Madame J. M. Dufresne and her young daughter of ontreal have arrived as guests of Madame J. H. Morin of

On February 15 a very qulet wedding took place at the home of Mr. James Lee of Listowel, when his only daughter, Helen Nettie, was married to Mr. Robert Cassels of the Imperial Bank staff, Listowel, a son of the late R. S. Cassels of Toronto. The ceremony was performed by Rev. J. H. Oliver, pastor of the Methodist Church, the immediate family only being present. Mr. and Mrs. Cassels left on the four o'clock train for a trip to Buffalo and New York.

The smart little Milkmaids set, whose maidens were by any pronounced the prettiest girls at the ball, was arranged Mrs. MacMahon, Mrs. Davidson and Mrs. VanKoughnet, iss Mary Osler, with her pretty hair waved on her cheeks; iss Birdie Warren, with the brightest little twinkle in her e; Miss Helen Davidson, most radiant of all, are three elles wherever they appear.

Mrs. d. B. Cronyn's housewarming tea was the rendez-ous of many a brave spirit for whom cold and wind have no rrors when a pretty woman calls. The inspection of a ight and cosy new home being added to the aforesaid be-est, of course no one who could possibly sleigh, tram or alk to High Park bonlevard failed to present themselves. alk to High Park boulevard failed to present themselves, was so trying a day that one faint heart led to a "faint ly" after a battle with the biting north wind from Queen reet up. However, trifles such as these were nothing when e big house, hospitably glowing with light, came into view d the quite charming little hostess held out a welcoming and Mrs. Cronyn looked a picture in a light gown, with but he will be up to the bodice, and a deep open girdle of craps of ruby velvet. She was assisted in the tea-room by any clever wantesses, the Misses Homer Dixon, among horse being in charge of a pretty table centered with tulios. ers, being in charge of a pretty table centered with tulips, no old friends of the Cronyn family in London met at this and enjoyed a reminiscent chat. Mrs. Cronyn's home is, her Spotless Town home used to be, all that is artistic and , and her friends hope she and her husband may long its comforts.

The dance at Westbourne School last night was one of week's good things too late for description.

The Canoe Club annual At Home takes place at McContey's on next Thursday evening.

The Gym at 'Varsity was en fete on Thursday for the At Home of the "'Varsity Lit.," which was, as usual, a gay and happy gathering.

by a certain sad and sure power, a masterly manipulation. Emil Paur interests where Herbert pleased. The men are the poles of personality, and the music is affected by their temperament. Paur gives the loftier and more invariable tone, but Herbert evoked a more appealing and human voice tone, but Herbert evoked a more appealing and human voice from the wonderfully trained aggregation known as the Pittsburg Orchestra. The appearance of the new conductor, with his foreign cast of feature, his quiet, polished, reserved Austrian manner, is also a complete contrast to the rotund, jolly, mellow Irishman we had last year. Musical criticism is not the duty of this chronicler, rather the enumeration of the charms of the soprano, whose lovely voice penetrated sweetly, even into the remotest corner of the vast hall, and who has what a man called "a singing face." Mr. Witherspoon sang magnificently also, evenly and with the passionate grandeur of the great King Wotan. The later concerts occurred after this column went to press. The audience on Wednesday night filled the hall from floor to ceiling, and the applause came like a thunder-clap. Emil Paur did not spend the "tween whiles" beand the scenes, but slipped to a seat near the main aisle, and with chin in hand listened to the Choras. His serious face never relaxed, and the story that Chorus. His serious face never relaxed, and the story that since the loss of his wife some months ago he has been a changed man, seemed perhaps true. On Wednesday night the Clef Club entertained Herr Paur at a supper at McConthe Clef Club entertained Herr Paur at a supper at McCon-key's, at which some other notable musicians were also guests. On Thursday night Herr Vogt gave a men's supper at his residence, and the orchestra were to take a late train to-night for Cleveland, returning to Buffalo for a concert with the Mendelssohn Choir on the evening of the 23rd, when the Choir will have a private car to and from Buffalo, and will no doubt give an excellent account of themselves in the Bison City.

The five o'clock teas, bridge parties and teas to follow are innumerable. On Thursday five or six were in progress, and in the evening several small dinners were on also. Today Professor Mayor has asked some friends to tea at his residence in University crescent, after the Clyde Fitch lecture in the Chemical Building. This lecture, by the way, is sure to be intensely interesting, and instructive, as a noted critic and writer of plays is to be the lecturer. Clyde Fitch's name is very familiar in Toronto.

Mrs. McWhinney gave a very pleasant tea at her home in Crescent road on Wednesday. Mrs. Cooper assisted, and Mrs. Frank Polson, another sister, poured tea.

Mrs. J. B. MacLean and Miss Slade, who were so much admired at the Paper ball, received next day a telegram with the sad news of their sister's death in Boston, where they are now with Mrs. Slade. Much sympathy is theirs from many Toronto friends.

Those ladies who are reported by a newspaper to have pied de Terres in London would enjoy the curious appendages. Probably pied-d-terre is what the valiant scribe was getting at. French "as she is written" is sometimes wildly funny.

St. Hilda's College is giving a dance at eight o'clock next Thursday evening.

Mrs. W. H. Orr is giving a tea at her home in Bloor treet east on Tuesday next.

The Misses Carty are giving a tea on Monday afternoon

Mrs. Fred W. Scott (mée Mowat) will receive for the first me since her marriage on Friday, February 17, at 236 Cotingham street.

Special cars were provided for the guests at the dinner given at the Hunt Club by the huntsmen to the Master on Thursday night. The occasion evoked many expressions of regard and appreciation to Mr. Beardmore, who has been such a liberal and able head of Toronto's sportiest circle.

### At the Theaters Next Week.

Bertha Galland, who comes to the Princess Theater for the first half of next week, is just now busy reading plays in search of a successor to Dorothy Vernon of Haddon Hall, now well into its second season as a vehicle for the display of her undisputed talent, has declined what is said to be a romantic comedy exceptionally well suited to the actress. It is by one of our best-known authors and in his happiest vein. The reason for the return of the play to its author is that in one act the star masquerades in trousers. Miss Galland's reason for not assuming masculine attire may not be logical, but it is satisfactory to herself, if not to her manager. "I never have, and I never will." said the young actress, "and I don't care if it is the best play ever written, I won't use it!" Henrietta Crosman won her first big success in trousers, and Julia Marlow did not scorn the breeches in When Knighthood Was in Flower, another charming story by the author of Dorothy Vernon of Haddon Hall. On the other hand, Viola Allen refused to wear trousers in Anthony Hope's Phroso. So it will be seen that there is a difference of opinion regarding the subject, and, as every woman has a right to her own, Miss Galland is still searching for the needle in the dramatic haystack.

Edward Terry, the celebrated English actor, who comes Bertha Galland, who comes to the Princess Theater for

Edward Terry, the celebrated English actor, who comes here the week after next, ranks in Masonic circles as the third highest Mason in the United Kingdom, King Edward being the first. Mr. Terry is Past Grand Treasurer of all the Masonic lodges in England, Ireland and Scotland. Mr. Terry also occupies a number of important public positions in England, being the founder of the Strand benevolent fund and a member of the London School Board.

The large company which is to be seen in the production of the English farcical comedy with music, The Girl From Kay's, at the Princess Theater, beginning next Thursday evening, giving in all four performances, is said to be one of the very best organizations ever got together for the exportation of a theatrical offering of this class. This play was brought out in London, where its scenes are laid, almost three years ago, and it continued at the Apollo Theater for the months in New York, four months in Boston, two months in Chicago, and had corresponding runs at other centers of population. It will be presented here by the original New York company, under the management of Charles Frohman and George Edwardes, and common report has it that it is upon an elaborate scale. Sam Bernard, the star of the company, has the reputation of being one of the most high-class and amusing comedians now before the public. His long career with Weber and Fields brought him into great prominence. Ernest Lambart, Miss Grace Dudley, Miss Katherine Clifford. Mr. Edward Temple, and a number of others, who are still in the company, were members of the London production, where they all reside. The plot of the play is said to be in harmony with all that is pleasing and amusing to intelligent audiences who admire and appreciate clean and wholesome dramatic productions.

Mary Norman, one of the eleverest women on the stage, will be add the bill at Sheal's on Monday in a new act entitled.

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The feast of good things offered by the Mendelssohn Choir and the Pittsburg Orchestra, with solo vocalists of exceptional merit, on Wednesday, Thursday, and to-day, at Massey Hall, was enjoyed by thousands of delighted listeners on each occasion. Music-lovers predominated, persons who came a hundred miles to hear the perfect singing of this splendid organization, the glory of Toronto, but the audience had also the brilliancy lent by the fashionable frocks and smart coiffures of the social circle. Emil Paur, as great a contrast to Victor Herbert as could well be imagined, contacted the orchestra with the assured and masterly hand. He is a great conductor, cold, inevitably exacting in getting the precise effect he d-mands, unsmiling, a man within himself, but most satisfactory in his work. The bubbling bonhomic, the nod, the little fleeting smile, the effervescent vitality and magnetism of Herbert are all wanting, replaced

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Gunhilda's Cottage 

stair.
"Oh!" Hermia cried, smiling at me with a fresh and delightful morning face, "it's you, is it?"—implying that she would have given just such another greeting to any stray man who happened to call. "Come into the schoolroom. Walk through the very middle of the door because I'm painting the jambs. You may have noticed that I'm rather with I'm rather with

painty."
"I have," said I. It seemed to me that there was a good deal more paint on Hermia's loose pinafore than there was on the door, but I may have been

was on the door, but I may have been wrong.

"As I'm going to marry a poor man and live with him in a cottage," she went on, "I thought I'd better learn to do my own decorating. It is glorious work, George. I shall do every bit myself when we're married and save heaps of money. Doesn't it look nice?"

"Ye—es." If I had been her brother I should have suggested that she had put the enamel on with a knife and fork. As I was merely her lover I agreed with her, but not warmly enough to be untruthful.

"You remind me of my errand," I remarked. 'Oh! Then you didn't come to see

"Do I ever come to see anyone else?" But as you say, you are going to marry a poor man, and—"
"I should love you just as much if you were rich," she cried with hasty and am-

"I should love you just as much it you were rich," she cried with hasty and ambiguous affection.

"You have no idea," I went on, "of the way to treat a cottage when you have it. Now have you?"

"I don't know how to treat a mansion either." Hermia's voice was full of confidence. "If I've all to learn it will be as easy to manage the one as the other, and I made a pudding yesterday which tasted heavenly.

"Ye—es. But—dearest, you have heard me speak of Gunhilda?"

"Thousands of times." Hermia's tone grew suddenly cold. "You told me she was married and done for."

"She married two years ago," said I sadly. "She wants me to take you to lunch with her to-day."

"She is very kind." Hermia's voice expressed chill indifference.

"I thought we might drive over in the pony carriage?"

"You wish to go, then?"

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"Yes, dear. I thought—perhaps," tentatively, "you might pick up some ideas. They are quite as poor as we shall be Love-in-a-cottage kind of thing, don't you know. She is sure to be a splendid manager. She was full of excellent theories even when she lived at home and did nothing."
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"Oh, theories!" said Hermia.

"Yes." said I firmly. "Theories come first. Perfect practice can only follow carefully-worked-out ideas. This is an opportunity which ought not to be lost, dearest. You need not paint the key—not if you ever wish to turn it again." She was assiduously covering it with a thick coat of enamel.

"Oh, well. I suppose if you have set your mind on it I shall have to go."

"But, darling, you must see—"

"I'll go." she said, "and then we'll both see. I'll do my best to study Gunhilda's methods and profit by her example if it will please you. What is your precious Gunhilda like to look at, George?"

I sighed again.

I sighed again. "The last time I saw her was at he

FOUND her in the hall, sticky with rose-colored paint, and kissed her under the very eye of a large and forbidding housemaid who was dusting the bottom with the bottom was black as ebony, and as red as blood."

Well in the 2" real Hermin "Will she "Oh, is she?" said Hermia. "Will she

be nice to me?"
I hesitated.
"She is rather casual in her ways.

"Well?" "She never tries to make people like her," I said warmly. "If they do, they do very much; if they don't—"
"They don't at all," finished Hermia.
"I know the sort. Child-of-nature kind

of thing. I'm sure she must be charm

of thing. I'm sure she must be charming."

"She is," said I firmly; "and don't you think you ought to begin to get ready? I should try turpentine for the paint."

"Gunhilda," said I an hour later, when Hermia, charming in green muslin and an apple-blossom hat, was tucked into the pony cart beside me and I had induced the beast to start, "Gunhilda is aborn housewife. Clever as she is she always liked her cookery and laundry classes better than any of her real studies, and even in her old affluent days she made her own gowns. Beautiful clinging garments of Liberty silk they were."

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Hermia was silent. When we reached Four Meadows we found that Gunhilda's cottage was quite at the other end of the town. We were half-an-hour late when we found it.

Conventionally it was an ideal cottage. The walls were covered with climbing roses, the window boxes with creeping jenny, and we were able to study these decorations at some length because Hermia did not find out for some time that the bell was broken.

We knocked once, twice, three times, then waited. Not until we had decided that we should have to lunch at a confectioner's in the town did the door open.

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The young man ran tobacco-stained ingers through the rumple of light hair on his forchead.
"I am Dosell-Smith, You want to see

me?"
"Gunhilda," I murmured lamely, "Mrs.
Dosell-Smith—"
He smiled genially,
"Please come in. Gunhilda will be
charmed. I had no idea—she is in her
study, I believe. Why not go in and surprise her?"

study, I beheve. Why hot go it is shall. I prealized that she was lovelier than ever. She shook hands with me and looked in quiringly at Hermia.

"This," I said hurriedly, "is Mrs. Dosell-Smith, Hermia—Gunhilda, allow me

-Miss Grayrigg.

Hermia bowed and eyed her with fro-ten and suspicious disapproval. Gun-nida, unconscious of this, smiled ser-

enely.
"Come in," she said with the old fas-cinating drawl; "I hope there'll be some-thing for you to sit on, but it's hardly

Irealized that her dark eyes still held their magic spell. She wore some kind of loose gown—a jibba, Hermia told me afterwards—soft blue in color, with dull Indian embroidery, open at her white throat. On her right arm a dozen silver bangles jingled and tinkled; her little feet shuffled in and out of tarnished gold Turkish slippers with peaky toes, and her hair hung down her back in a heavy black plait.

We followed her into the study, and never—never in my life before had I seen such a room!

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Needlework and books, dusters and boots, cigarette-holders and pipes, magazines and toast-racks, teaspoons and shoe-polish, overcoats and tennis rackets—every piece of furniture in that room was piled high, and every corner held its own particular heap of accumulated chaos. On the table in the window the breakfast things still stood, and in the very middle of everything praneed patiently a small striped wooden horse.

Gunhilda placidly ignored the need for any apology and languidly cleared a couple of chairs for us by the simple method of sweeping the things on to the floor.

"Sit down, Miss Grayrigg. If your gown is clean perhaps you'd better dust the seat first. There's a duster sortwhere I know. I had it to hold the kettle with this morning. Find it, Teddy, there's a good boy."

Teddy couldn't find the duster, but he used his pocket-handkerchief and sighed. Gunhilda stood by the open window, calmly critical of Hermia's round pink face and grave grey eyes.

"So kind of you to call," she said policy in the still wore the fellow to the pink sock I had found in Gunhilda's desk, and he went to sleep wherever he happened to be put down. This was fortunate. We enjoyed our lunch. Hermia laughed at Dosell-Smith's absurd jokes as she never

Reads the Book.

"The Road to Weftville" Pointed the Way.

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"I was thinking about you, Georgy, only the other day," Gunhilda went on. "I had serious thoughts of asking you to bring Miss Grayrigg over to lunch with us. Could you have come, do you think?"

think?"

I could hardly believe my ears. In the old days Gunhilda had been indifferent in manner and casual in her behavior, but this was too much.
"We have come," I said abruptly.
"You did ask us. Your serious thoughts, Gunhilda, embodied themselves on note-paper. I am sorry we are not expected." paper. I am sorry we are not expected!"
Gunhilda stared, then broke into a de-

lightful laugh.
"Did I?" she cried. "No! Did I really? How careless of Teddy to let me

forget.

Teddy sat down suddenly on a heap of books—speechless. Then he caught the amazed eye of Hermia and found his voice.

"Gunhilda," he said firmly, "you are a great deal too bad. You ought to be ashamed of yourself. This is the first I have heard of it. If I had known there should at least have been something to eat."

"And isn't there?" Her voice showed

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"It's awfully decent of you not to mind," he said gratefully. "I daresay we shall be able to scratch up-some kind of a feed. You can both help, you know—the more the merrier, and then just take pot-luck."

My heart sank. I was very hungry and had expected chickens at least. I hated pot-luck, and felt that I would rather die than look for it. As for merriment—

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"I don't know where anything is,"
Gunhilda said in a tone of magnificent indifference which was hardly calculated to raise my hopes. "And I feel rather worried about the baby. I put it somewhere when I heard you knock and I can't think where. I generally know where it is by the noise it makes, but it seems to be asleep."
"Oh," cried Hermia in a delighted voice, "a baby!"
"I am sorry you have mislaid him," I said, struggling desperately to be cheerful. "I should rather like to see the little chap."
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Gunhilda turned her full face to me and opened sleepy Eastern eyes wide with surprise.

"Should you? Not really? You like children? Then go and look for him by all means, my good George. He won't be hard to find."

I gazed at her in helpless, horrified dismay. Hermia came to my rescue with a ringing laugh.

"Oh, my goodness!" she said, "let me go. George won't know what to do with him if he does find him. He can help to get lunch ready. I'll find the baby."

The door closed upon her. Gunhilda, after a moment's thought, followed her. Dosell-Smith and I were left alone. He turned to me and spoke in a whimsical voice—half sad, half tender—but wholly tolerant.

"Please forgive us for this. We are a couple of careless children playing at housekeeping. I am afraid we play the game about as badly as it can be played. Gunhilda is too beautiful and too clever to be wasted on this dudgery, but she chose to marry a poor man, and—"

He shrugged his shoulders.

Together we cleared away the breakfast things, and Teddy happened to find a table-cloth in the scullery when he was looking for the pickles. We discovered also some pink slices of boiled ham in a paper on the kitchen mantelpiece—halfa-pound at least.

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"Rebecca is a good soul," the master of the house murmured from the back of a dark cupboard in the hall, where the cruets ought to live and obviously didn't. "She guessed that we might be hungry before she got home and ran back with that ham. She has a heart of gold if she is untidy in her habits."

We laid the table.

I found a glass dish of butter in one of the pigeonholes of Gunhilda's davenport in close company with an impudent pink sock. The loaf of bread was already on the study table, and the halfpot of honey and a half-dozen of Bass were a discovery of Hermia's when she came downstairs with the baby.

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He was not a handsome child, I should say, although I am not a judge. He still wore the fellow to the pink sock I had found in Gunhilda's desk, and he

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He went to Hot Springs for rheumatism and his stomach trouble got worse. One day at breakfast the waiter, knowing his condition, suggested he try Grape-Nuts and cream, which he did, and found the food agreed with him perfectly.

fectly.

After the second day he began to sleep peacefully at night, different than he had for years. The perfect digestion of the food quieted his nervous system and made sleep possible.

He says: "The next morning I was astonished to find my condition of constipation had disappeared. I could not believe it true after suffering for so many years; then I took more interest in the food, read the little book, The Road to Wellville, and started following the simple directions.

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"I have met with such results that in the last five weeks I have gained eight pounds in spite of hot baths which take away the flesh from anyone.

"A friend of mine has been entirely cured of a bad case of indigestion and stomach trouble by using Grape-Nuts Food and cream alone for breakfast.

"There is one thing in particular. I

Food and cream alone for breakfast.

"There is one thing, in particular—I have noticed a great change in my mental at condition. Formerly I could hardly remember anything, and now the mind seems unusually acute and retentive. I can memorize practically anything I desire." Name given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich.

mother would be anxious if we did not start at once.

Hermia thanked them for their hospitality, kissed the baby, and we walked down to the town in silence. We went to the Green Dragon for the pony and trap, silently watched the stableman harness it, and at last set out for home. Once on the high road I saw that Hermia was smiling to herself, and asked her shortly what amused her.

"I'm not amused," she said, "only thoughtful."

"How unusual," with some abruptness.
"And so," her voice was soft, "you really wish me to profit by Mrs. Dosell-Smith's example?"

"No," said I.

"'Love in a cottage,'" she went on.
"I suppose they really do love each other in spite of—— Would you like our cottage to be exactly like Gunhilda's, George?"

"Not for anything," said I shortly. I was not pleased.
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"She is like a princess from the Arabian. Nights or a houri from Paradise. She ought to have been called Badroulbadour or Peri Banou, or Badoura or Morgiana. Her eyes.—"
"Suppose we talk about something else," said I.
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"What a pity," Hermia said gently, "that she married Mr. Dosell-Smith. She would have made you so happy, George." I was silent, but I whipped the pony

I was silent, but I winppes are earnestly.

"You were in love with Gunhilda once," Hermia went on. "I know you were. I have been jealous of her for years. Now I understand your devotion. She is adorable."

"She manages her house disgracefully," said I. "I can't tell you how thoroughly I disapprove of her methods."

"Oh!" Hermia looked demure. "But that doesn't matter when you are in



A CRUEL THREAT.

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Small Beginnings-Great Endings.

Cardinal Wolsey was the son of Columbus was the son of a weaver. Sir Richard Arkwright was the

Watt was the son of a blockmaker. Stephenson was the son of a collier Oliver Cromwell was the son of a

ewer. Shakespeare was the son of a wool-

Virgil was the son of a porter. Horace was the son of a slave. Burns was the son of a plowman. Homer was the son of a farmer

Suiter—I'm poor, but honest, sir.
Old Rocksey—I don't doubt it at all,
my boy; and unless you change your
principles you'll never get rich.

"You know there isn't. There never would be if I didn't sometimes put my foot down."

"But, Teddy, I know I ordered some lunch. Didn't I order a steak?" Gunhilda looked bewildered.

"That was yesterday. It was the toughest I ever tasted."

"But I ordered it again to-day. I told Rebecca—"

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"Her face brightened.

"Oh, that's it, then. I ordered steak and Rebecca went out. It was very thoughtless of her. What a pity! I daresay you are both hungry. Use't just had breakfast ourselves."

"That accounts for her indifference."

"That necounts for her indifference."

"That accounts for her make at me, then said aloud that it did not matter at all, and smiled at the unfortunate Teddy. Obviously all her sympathies were with him.

He prightened visibly.

tion for his release, and calling upon their brothers in other countries to do likewise.

It is to be feared that Gorki is not sufficiently known or popular in England, or on the Continent, to be able to count on the immunity which another and greater Russian enjoys. No doubt a paternal government would long ago have removed Tolstoi, if not from the world, at all events to some Siberian health resort, did it not know that a howl of exceration would go up from the whole of Europe and from America if a hair of Tolstoi's head were injured. Dostoieffski's literary merit could not save him from exile, and the hardships described in Letters from a Dead House left ineradicable traces on his constitution. Let us hope that Gorki will not be afforded the opportunity of giving to the world a new and up-to-date account of the amenities of life behind a Siberian prison gate at which all the literary societies in Europe will thunder in vain if once it closes behind him. "Bitter" is his name, and bitter will be his fate.

The boy Alexei Maximovitch Peshkoff was decidedly the father of Maxim Gorki—the name by which he has chosen to be known. The bullying treatment he received as a tiny child at the hands of a soldier-grandfather, who had been reduced to the ranks for cruelty to his subordinates, and the narrow, puritanical surroundings of his father's house were bound to produce a "divine discontent" which, for good or evil, was sure to seek an outlet somewhere. Discharged as useless from his

a "divine discontent" which, for goo or evil, was sure to seek an outlet some where. Discharged as useless from hi post of assistant in a small boot shop he had the good fortune to cast in hi lot with an ex-non-commissioned officet the cook of a Volga steamer—a strang kind of literary godfather, but fowhom Gorki's attainments might fo ever have been limited to a bowing acquaintance with the Psalms of Davit owhich his maternal grand-father ha compelled his unwilling attention.

"She manages her house disgracefully," said I. "I can't tell you how tho roughly I disapprove of her methods." "Oh!" Hermia looked demure. "But that doesn't matter when you are in love, do you think? Especially if she is so divinely pretty. What does mere housekeeping matter if her eyes are like housekeeping matter if her eyes are like—like star-sapphires? You wouldn't mind a bit about your meals if you had a houri to share them. You aren't a slave to your dinner, are you. George? Men never are."

"Have you nearly finished?" I asked with a calmness I did not feel.

"Not quite. Dear George, I am so sorry, but if I live to a thousand years I shall never, never be able to make our cottage look like Gunhilda's."

I could bear no more. I stopped Blossom in the middle of the high road and put the whip in its socket. Then I turned and faced her reproachfully.

"Don't taunt me any more." said I. "It is cruel of you, Hermia. I thought I was fond of Gunhilda once—until I met you. But now I shall thank heaven every day of my life that I met you in time."

"Oh!" Hermia beamed and nestled up to me. "If those are your real sentiments, George—"

"They are," said I firmly.

"Then I'll tell you something frankly, i don't think much of Gunhilda's way with a cottage either."—The Tatler.

He emerges for a monest from the cannot resist its summons, and again we find him on the move. Eventually, in 1892, at the age of twenty-three, he fetched up at Titils and tried his sirest story. Makar Chudra, on a newspaper editor, who had an eye for the unconventional, and asked for more. Here it is and tried the stars come to au end: Wandering With a headful of stories and anter recallections.

In 1895 he made the acquaintance of Kozolenko, known in England only as

Kozolenko, known in Engini I only the author of House No. 13, a descrition of the horrors of Kishineff, w became his literary godfather. The ap pearance of *Chelkash*, glorified thief and black sheep, who forgives his fellow scoundrel's attempt to murder him fo the sake of a few roubles, seeing no the sake of a few roubles, seeing nothing surprising in his contrade's act, created a furore in the two capitals just as great in the ranks of the reactionaries as in the camp of the advanced thinkers. At first the reactionaries claimed him as their own child (their love of humanity is so remarkably developed), but they soon found that he was a somewhat inconvenient infaut, and three years ago, during some student riots he, for the first time made acquaintance with a prison interior.

interior.

There he is now, in the old home again. Those who do not know him will find many autobiographical scraps in his books, more especially in The Have-beens in Makar Chudra and Chelkash, already mentioned, in Tewenty-six Men and One Woman, where he gives us a glimpse of his life in the baker's shop, and, perhaps more especially, in the description of the boy Foma Gordyécff in the long novel of that name.

What is Gorki's message? It is doubtful whether he has ever consciously set himself the task of bringing one. Love of mankind? It may be. Rather, the right of immunity from interference: the wickedness of buying happiness at another's expense; the sad conviction—

iction—
"That no life lives for ever,
That dead men rise up never,
That even the weariest river
Flows somewhere safe to sea."

Gus—What made you realize that she was your affinity? Archie—Threats of a fifty-thousand-dollar breach-of-

Dyer—Surely you are not jealous of your wife's dead husband? Enpec—Yes, because he is better off than I am

Howell-If you want to be a success ful author, you must have something say and know how to say it. Powell-What an author my wife would make!

to blame for their weaknesses or irregularities. They have no power—no self-control. They are operated and actuated by a tiny shred of a nerve which alone is responsible for their condition. If the Kidney nerve is strong and healthy. If the Kidney nerve is strong and healthy the kidneys are strong and healthy. If the Kidneys nerve goes wrong you know it by the inevitable result—kidney trouble. The first system controls not only the kidneys, but the heart and the liver and the stomach. For simplicity's sake I have called this great nerve system the 'Inside Nerv' They are not the nerves of feeling—not the nerves that enable you to walk, to talk, to act, to think. They are the master nerves and every vital organ is their slave. The common name for these nerves is the 'Inside Nerv' They are the weakness anywhere results in weakness everywhere.

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# COLUMN

STUDY of the public signs to wayfarers is not complete without that apparently futile and ignored one which adorns the doors of the street-cars. How pathetic and gentle is its plaintive request, "Please shut the door." No one pays the least attention to it, and perhaps some change in its construction might make it more efficient. If, for instance, it read, "Why didn't you shut the door, you jdiot?" it wayfarers is not complete O didn't you shut the door, you diot?" it might embarrass the lastcomer; and why on earth is the legend put on the door where no one can see it when the door is left open? Altogether, for futility and general incompetence, the "Please shut the door" sign takes the prize.

I see by an Ottawa exchange that one of our fellow-citizens has been down there pitching into the society columns of the Canadian papers, and that one of the editors at the Capital has taken up the glove and given our Toronto banker a nasty little poke to teach him to keep off the grass. If that is a mixed metaphor it will have to go down to posterity. There are no doubt many provocative sentences in the society chronicles for a person who takes life (including society) seriously. He really shouldn't! That is, too seriously. One doesn't defend all the little airs and graces and affectations and ambitions which must be met with whenever men and women are in the pursuit of amusement in semipublicity. The thing is of the lighter froth of living, and you all know that beer without foam, soda-water without fizz, isn't palatable or tempting. As for the fact which our townsman is reported to have stated, that the details often given of gowns and personal attractions, decorations and extent of elaborateness in entertaining are giving rise to ambitions beyond the means of the parties concerned, and leading to fraud and deceit to impress others with a sense of importance—Ach, Gott! were not such things rife in Toronto before a society paper was thought of? Circumstances led to my becoming very much aware recently of the state of affairs here, half a

always was and always will be!

Here is the little poke which the Ottawa society editor hands out to the general manager, and I quote it, because I know nothing of the naughty ways of banks any more than of the horrible influence of the society columns: "During a quite recent mania for stock-gambling which ruined and destroyed many homes the causes could be traced to the bankers who loaned money on magazines and encouraged the evil. The bank, of which Mr. Walker is the capable and efficient manager, was not backward in placing these call loans. Indeed it was the bank which 'called' a Toronto broker and precipitated the smash." This is not a frothy question, but one to be taken most seriously, and will perhaps show that a little criticism is a dangerous thing.

Somehow, I feel within me a great sympathy of impulse with the person who occasionally gives way to a sporty spendthriftry, who pays gold when he can only afford to pay copper. It is the blordly taint in the niggard blood that leads to much of the ruinous spending one does in certain joyous hours. Regret at learning of the bankruptey of a gay old boy some fifty years ago, was tempered by a smiling and rueful shake of an aged flexal, as gift of hands and will be said of many a fool plunger fifty years ago, was tempered by a smiling and rueful shake of an aged flexal, and will be said of many a fool plunger fifty years ago, was tempered by a smiling and rueful shake of an aged flexal, as gift of the gaze us the best of entertainment." Wouldn't you rather have that said of you than what will be said of many a fool plunger fifty years ago, was feel to the first of the first of the center of the first o

thinting and rueful shake of an aged head, a sigh of happy retrospection, and a gently-uttered remark, "Well, he did things as they should be done, and while he could he gave us the best of entertainment." Wouldn't you rather have that said of you than what will be said of many a fool plunger fifty years hence, "He tried to get rich dishonestly and lost all he had, and barely escaped minister, and the head, and barely escaped minister, and bert all he had, and barely escaped minister, and the head and the body, but she to trevie his youthful days and play the second night of this joyous outing Mr. Huntington the second night of this joyous outing Mr. Huntington, don't you think in dynamic many minister of the place, and stood by a pretty modest maid, whom I did labor to take but had and the body, but she to trevie his youthfully, and yet his diary contains such matter-of-fact entries as the following:

This noon I met at the Dog taverns Captain Philip Holland, with whom I advised how to take some advantage of my Lord's going to sea, which he lodd punishment by the law" Give me the short-sighted, big-hearted, lavishly-hospitable man or woman who goes broke rather than the keen gambler who attends only to business and flouts at prike teads only to business and flouts at prike the present the second might be balanced to the price of the eight hundred punishment by the law" Give me to order a cot-bed into your room?"

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Now, Mr. Huntington, don't you think in daying of lore or six servants on board, and I to give them what only in the fumble. "Which," asks the Detawa editor, "is the greater evil: the striving after the appearance of wealth or the gamble for the real thing?" According to this questioner, the society bapers may encourage the former aspir-like desk.

and supper together on Sunday, the little old lady and L. Outside was snow, more snow, the stillness of it, the soft gentleand supper together on Sunday, the little old lady and L. Outside was snow, more snow, the stillness of it, the soft gentleness of it, the suggestion of marvelous purity and beauty of it. And there came to me a great sense of the goodness and sweetness of life, the families, by rows and rows, scores and scores, hundreds and hundreds who were in that twilight of whiteness and stillness gathered close in their little homes, the head of each, the constant toller at desk, counter or trade, whose patience under his burden, sweetned by father-love, husband-love, grew to be a great and holy thing as we spoke and thought of it, the mother doing marvels of economy and work and thought of it, the mother doing marvels of economy and work and thought that the little fair heads might be filled with learning and the little restless bodies, flesh of her flesh, might be warmed and nourished as fully as pos-

sible, whose glory-halo beamed as we spoke of her; the little grasping hands of the baby, the earnest eyes of the budding girl, the deepening voice of the boy, the scrambling, and rippling laughter of the small fry, a father on the floor with the small try, a father on the floor with little first-born, a mother with that di-vine light in her eyes! How we whis-pered and wondered at the home life of Toronto, and reverenced the love and patience and sweetness of it! Here and there, very, very seldom, one hears of the patient toiler giving way, but thous-ands are living these beautiful lives in our midst. We see those men in our our midst. We see those men in our shops, courteous, untiring, eager to please us; we see them on our street-cars, in our offices, in our elevators, and we don't know and don't care for their lives, their wonderful endurance of monotony. Their burial of personal anxieties and cares to meet our passing demand for service. When one becomes possessed with this view of the worth of the daily ordinary lives that are being lived in our midst, there arises a faith in humanity, a yearning of the heart to lived in our midst, there arises a faith in humanity, a yearning of the heart to the whole race, a sympathy which lifts us very near the divine. It is in such moments that one feels how well worth while life may be, what unconsidered qualities may be like angels unawares dwelling with it, what salt may be keeping earth as well as ocean from corruption.

LADY GAY.

### On the Uses and Abuses of the Week-End Rest.

N London the question of "the week-end rest" is being seriously agitated, and a well-known physician in the fashionable part of that city has declared that: "In modern life it is the pace, not the work, which tells. The man who will survive is the man who will learn to rest quickly. This rest is partly obtained by means of the motor car and bicycle, which carry a man away quickly from his work into the country."

There is a world of wisdom in the advice, and nowhere is the caution more needed than in this country. England for many generations has been noted for possessing more hale and hearty old

possessing more hale and hearty old men than any other nation, and this has been attributed to the fact that the Eng-lishman believes in a holiday, and has been attributed to the fact that the Englishman believes in a holiday, and has almost a superstitious reverence for the Saturday half-holiday, which gives him the opportunity to take a run into the country. Judging from the strong plea that is being made by prompiealousy and vindictive remark than anyone would be bothered to keep track of in these busy and matter-of-fact days. We shall always find the spirit strong in us to excel our rival, to give our friends better than we can afford, to wear silks and satius when we might wear homespun and print. It is human and innate, not the result of any little foolish screed in a society column. It always was and always will be!

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papers may encourage the former aspirants, but the financial institutions make possible the latter. Messicurs who think and Mesdames who bother about these things, the choice of evils is before you.

We were talking rather of the nobility of life in Toronto, of its probity and patience, than its shortcomings, as we spent the quiet time between five o'clock tea and supper together on Sunday, the little and L. Outside was snow, more all lady and L. Outside was snow, more

dropping of water will wear away a stone, and constant work will destroy the ambition of the most ambitious. A man is much like a clock. He can go so long and no longer, and each man who abuses this principle is not only doing himself a personal injury, but he is hurting interests intrusted to his care. In contradistinction to Mr. Sage, a banker made the remark that he was afraid of the man who never took a holiday. the man who never took a holiday. This man is wise. He knew that the man who never took a rest would give out one day, break down, in fact, and the limit of his usefulness be soon reached.

Neurasthenia may be called the national disease of America, and this is owing to our non-restful habits. Even our children are brought up feverishly. Money and success are often the common topics of papa at table; and mamma laments poverty as a crime. That boy who embarks in small enterprises, such as peddling papers or collar buttons, or sham jewelry to get spending money, is called a "smart boy," and the proud father tells the proud mother that the lad will be "a capable business man one day." Would not those parents be acting the wiser part if they insisted on their son really taking a holiday by strengthening his constitution with healthful exercise in the country?

There is a saying to the effect that Neurasthenia may be called the na-

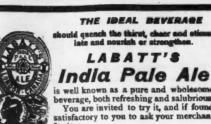
There is a saying to the effect that advice unless agreeable is never palatable. Now the advice that the week-end rest is not only conducive to longevity, better work, and the happiness of the individual should be accepted with pleasure. But one thing has to be horne in individual should be accepted with pleasure. But one thing has to be borne in mind: If the holiday is not properly used it is better not to have taken one. Unfortunately many men imagine that the holiday is given for the express purpose of indulging in riotous pastimes, over-drinking, over-eating and other vices. This is not the purpose of the week-end rest, and any departure from simple joys and right living during the hours when work stops on Saturday afternoon till work begins on Monday morning is more deleterious to brain and body than the hardest of hard work.

### The Good Old Days.

him in my victualling business."

In the following, one may note the of-

In the following, one may note the of-ficial virtue of this self-made gentleman of the old school:
"There came to me Mr. Young and Whistler, flagmakers, and with mighty earnestness did present me with and press me to take a box, wherein I c not guess there was less than one hundred pounds in gold, but I do wholly refuse, and did not at last take it. The truth is, not thinking them safe to receive such a gratuity from, nor knowing any considerable courtesy that ever I did do them, but desirous to keep myself free from their reports, and to have it my power to say I had refused their of-fer."





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not on record that he ever abused her. At the theater he was ever gentle; at home—not always. Witness:
"Thence, after dinner, to St. James, but missed Sir W. Coventry, and so home, and there find my wife in a dogged humor for my not dining at home, and I did give her a pull by the nose and some ill words, which she provoked me to by something she spoke."

What she said Pepys does not tell, but it can be presumed that she rose to

what she said repys does not tell, but it can be presumed that she rose to the occasion and called him the brute that he was. However, she got off luckier than the serving-wench who displeased him. In his own words this is

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Non-Crepo.—The question is admissible. My correspondent asks if I will tell him the places from which the letters answered this week are dated? Akron, Sault Ste. Marie, Stratford, New York, Carlyle, Assa., London, Ingersoll and Toronto—several from the last named and one from each of the former. I have taken them in turn from the package in which they are tied.

Frances—movember La brings you

Frances.—November 14 brings you under the full influence of Scorpio. Your nature is particularly snappy and strong, with the dominant touch well developed and plenty of energy and independence. You are not always logical, and sometimes rather self-opinionated, with good expression and great attrees. with good expression and great aptness of thought. I don't see any particular caution or reserve about you. You are adaptable and probably courageous and high-spirited. I think time will modify me of your characteristics. EUNICE.-Too much time and space

have always been given to the discussion of that woman's powers. I think the explanations are trivial and ridiculous. My dear girl, I've seen forty times more wonderful things done than she has ever attempted, and have learned not to be surprised at anything. If I had space I might tell you some of them, but, after ail, what would that profit you or me? As to whether she is justified in making her income so, she should not be judged by her audiences, above all people. I trust your sense of justice will respond to that remark. Your surmise as to my leisure was quite correct. Your writing shows original thought and method, some self-will, care for detail, conservative leanings, and love of the established ways. The purpose is practical and there is not much have always been given to the discussion pose is practical and there is not much desire to rule or lead. Caution, discre-tion and decision are quite strongly in-

CHARLIE'S GRANDMOTHER.—Impossible to make study from enclosure.

INEZ.—July 22 brings you just on the turn between Cancer and Leo, and you will probably show the influence of both signs. Your writing is not very clear to me. It is very amenable to influences on the emotional plane, and has much leaning to sentiment. At the same time good sequence of ideas and persistence in effort point to ability to conceive, plan and carry out an enterprise. You have great capacity for affection, but I fancy of the most materialistic type. There is absolutely no spirituality or higher inspiration in this study, but it has the sterling qualities of candor, consistency, and power, with tenacious purpose and suggestion of foreign influence.

MAPLE LEAF.—I am sorry you didn't wait for a fresh bottle of ink; the fluid wait for a fresh bottle of ink; the fluid you evolved was so sticky that on folding your study, without blotting it, the page stuck together, spoiling the study for delineation; also, it is written on lines. Perhaps, however, one must be good to a body away off in the North-West. The writing is a fair business hand, vertical style, not very eloquent, but very careful, discreet and reliable. Writer has the cancity for taking cred but very careful, discreet and reliable. Writer has the capacity for taking great pains, which a famous writer says is the real genius.

A CANADIAN.—I must quote one sentence, "New York is a very fascinating place, but one misses the home life and congenial people of dear old Toronto. It is well, however, to be where competition is strong, as it spurs one on, and there is nothing like work for making one happy." That is so heartsome and sensible and true a delivery. You'll get on, with such a grand, dominant, bright courageous hand; reliant, tenacious and just a shade pessimistic, as so many courageous hand; reliant, tenacious and just a shade pessimistic, as so many heroes and heroines are. You will always take care of Number One, my woman, and you're a good old conservative-minded body, with love of tradition and the ways of convention behind all the enterprise and magnetic force of your fine nature. To call a spade a spade, to conserve your vital forces, to aim high, to imagine and achieve, are all in your confession. Sentiment is not a soft and yielding force with you, but the grand, real thing. Indeed, you could stand a little "gentling" which would make you even more lovable. Thank you for the good wish. 'Tis no' that bad, the winterl

DAUGHTER.—Thanks for a very fine study, prone to exaggeration and very extreme at times, beside being very averse to the rôle of the patient waiter. You have the dominant will and the restless energy, the nature which expends in expression what it should store. Fancy quarrelling with the highly civilized occupation of dish-washing. The instincts of order and restoration need to be carefully trained in you. 100 much slapdash doesn't wash dishes willingly. Warm affections, love of material comfort, good sequence of ideas, the lust of power, place and praise are strong in you. The hand is that of one apt to be a law unto herself, an individuality so pronounced as to be almost aggressive. I almost wish I owned a hand such as yours!

Grace Deroy.—The coarseness indi-DAUGHTER.-Thanks for a very fin

GRACE DEROY.-The coarseness indicated by the longer and more dashing study is simply concentrated in the other one. The short line is not in any way of a higher order of writing than the others. In each the ambition to dominate, to be acclaimed, is in identical lines, as in all the inconsiderate utterance and careless method are indicated. The least objectionable of the three, but also the least important and decisive, is the short-

est study. You cannot expect me to be bothered with more than one.

BLOOD LILIES.—October 24 brings you under Scorpio, but the influence of Libra is still felt. The Scorpio people are the strong and able guardians, the kind and constant helpers of the weak and ailing. They are adamant in demanding high achievement from any one in whom they trust and believe, when their ideal falls short they suffer keenly, but make no sign. Scorpio is the great power of the sea, and while generous and noble, never forgets an injury nor its punishment. I don't think you have fully developed the genius of this fine sign, owing to your Libra tendencies. Libra is the Scales, uncertain in mood and inconstant in effort. You have some talent, and a sweet disposition with a tendency to look on the shady side of life. There is no such thing as a lucky sign. Each has its good and bad, its drawbacks and its good points.

FLY.—Your study shows force, but

FLY.—Your study shows force, but not concentration, and the impulse is erratic and sometimes inconsistent. You have not a very connected train of thought, and sentimental appeals may thought, and sentimental appeals may easily influence you. There is imagination, force and a good deal of cleverness in some of your lines, though the study is ill-balanced. Taste and some artificiality in method are suggested. If you were as prudent as you think you are, oh, my! but the Sphinx would be a babbling brook to you.

bling brook to you.

Soleil.—There is just the ordinary commercial hand, with touches of nervous and sensitive temper suggesting a feminine study; either that or a very high-strung man, with concentration, pleasant manner, love of harmony and beauty, and somewhat exacting taste. As for the change in your writing from ten years ago, did you suppose the experiences and encounters of that period would have left no mark upon your chirography? The writing within your envelope is vastly superior to the address and shows much more clearly your good traits. The various crudities of final letters and over-written capitals cannot hide the strength and self-esteem of your nature. You will never make a leader but your will also never make a of your nature. You will never make leader, but you will also never make a satisfactory follower—rather go it alone Your method is neat, observant and re-

liable.

MARJORIE CLARE.—Do I sometimes think another's work more pleasant than mine? No, no, Marjorie; that way lies discontent and imbecility. Every work has its rough and smooth. I'd not change places with the Czar, for instance, would you? You seem to be having a pretty nice time yourself. My regards to the doctor, noblest profession of all, my dear! So you feel as if you know me? Oh, what a shock you'd have if you came across me now. For yours if you came across me now. For yours is the last of to-day's letters, my dear, and my specs are on askew with the hurry I'm in to do seventeen other things I have waiting. Your writing shows habitual thought and concentrations with here are the state of the seventeen of the sev shows habitual thought and concentration, with hope and cheerfulness, tenacity and an utter disregard for power and acclaim. You have refined and feminine tastes and simple wants and ambitions. Therein lies the touchstone of happiness. A bright mind and quick sympathies are yours. I almost feel like envying you the doctor, and I frankly envy you the country drives. I, too, love the good gee-gee!

gee-gee!
Pixie O'Shaunnessy, County Kil-Darr, Ireland.—If I told you things two years ago, Pixie, etc., 'twill have to last you a while longer. Your pleasant lines are still very young and half developed. Why hurry the process? Be a child, and a nice child you are, just as long as ever

### A United States Social Capital.

We do not think, says \*\*Harper's Weekly\*\* that either Washington or New York or any other city will ever become the social capital of the United States as London is the social capital of Great Britain. Washington will come much nearer to it than it does at present, but the country is too big to have a social capital. Hordes of people will come to New York to make money, to amuse themselves, to study, to live their lives in the least restricted atmosphere that the country offers. But only very rich people will come here to find and occupy a place in organized society. Pleasant people will always find pleasant lay mades here. There is no lack of good company for everybody that is company were also entertained at a most shows, its sunshine, its eating and istoring the molecular of We do not think, says Harper's Weekly that either Washington or New York or any other city will ever become the social capital of the United States as London is the social capital of Great Britain. Washington will come much nearer to it than it does at present, but the country is too hig to have a social shows, its sunshine, its eating and its drinking. It is pleasant. It grows finer every day. "When it is finished and equipped with due Subways and relieved of some disfigurements, it will be a marvellous city, but hardly the social capital of the country. But the isolation of the inland cities will be tempered steadily by the spread of acquaintanceship. The well-to-do Americans meet nowadays in many places, at school, at college, at the seashore, on steamers, in Europe. They will be better mixed sometime than they are as yet.

Always be on time—and you will have to wait for the other fellow.

Mrs. Clubbe-Man is entitled to life. liberty and the pursuit of happine.

Clubbe—Yes—or he can get married.

Madge—Was it a fashionable wedding? Marjorie—Was it? Why, ing dear, they had to call out the police re

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# Society at the Capital.

HE visit to Ottawa of another renowned and accomplished actor, in the person of Sir Charles Wyndham, with his charming and talented company, was the occasion of many bright and happy gatherings given in their honor. On Thursday the principals of the group, Sir Charles, his sister, Mrs. Vane-Featherston, and Miss Mary Moore had the honor of lunching with His Excellency the Governor-General and Lady Grey at Government House, and after the performance on the same evening, at which all Ottawa's élie were present, Mr. and Mrs. Collingwood Schreiber invited quite a large number to meet them at supper, when a most delicious repast was provided at small tables scattered about in the dining-room, library, hall, and sun-parlor. small tables scattered about in the dining-room, library, hall, and sun-parlor,
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Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Fleming, Mr. and
Mrs. S. H. Fleming, M. and Madame
Bergeron, Mr. and Mrs. Smellie, Mr.
and Mrs. C. A. E. Harriss, Mr. and
Mrs. Joseph Pope, Dr. and Mrs. Fletcher, Mr. and Mrs. Travers Lewis, Mr.
and Mrs. L. K. Jones, Miss Roma King,
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and this most connection, the only and dancing was kept up until a late hour. Supper was arranged at small the performance, to which the guests of honor had to hurry off.

Skating parties have in a measure lost their "zip" this year, owing probably to the fact that the first lady of the land is not as ardent a devotee of the art as her popular or numerous of late. However, although not as largely attended as in past years, Monday night's entertainment, which was given by several of the backlors of the Capital at the Rideau Rink was most enjoyable. Mrs. Irwin, Mrs. Belecourt and Mrs. Robert Gill their assistance and acted as Colonel Irwin, with a colone of the colonel Irwin, with a colone of the colonel Irwin, with a colone of the colo

Hostesses who entertained at luncheons during the week were Mrs. D. M. Finnie, Mrs. John Gilmour and Mrs. E. J. Chamberlin; while dinners were given by Mrs. J. Lyons Biggar, Mrs. E. C. Grant, Mrs. C. Berkeley Powell and Hon, R. F. and Mrs. Sutherland.

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### Origin of the Japanese.

One of the traditional accounts of the origin of the Japanese Empire is very interesting. The legend, which attributes the rise of these sprightly Easterners to a Chinese source, runs as fol-

Sinosikwo ascended the throne of China in the year 246 B.C., and at once entered on a career of cruelty and tyranny. He was, nevertheless, most

us yons requiped per au required agent existed in the juices of a plant which grew only in the islands which now form the Japanese Empire. The plant in question was also reported to be one of so delicate structure and sensitive party that if not oblighted with a race more fresh and vigorous in habitants of the land of the "Celestials" itself!—Everywhere. sitive nature that, if not plucked with pure hands and special precaution, it would lose all its mysterious virtues before arriving within the limits of the Celestial Kingdom.

### Working or Union.

We are credibly informed that the Baptists and Disciples in Walkerton have had several conferences on the subcentered on a career of cruelty and tyranny. He was, nevertheless, most anxious to enjoy the privileges of his position for as long a period as possible. For the purpose of obtaining some specific agent by which the duration of human life could be prolonged, he dispatched trusted mesengers and explorers into all the countries with which he held any communication, or the whereabouts of which he could possibly obtain any knowledge.

Taking advantage of the circumstances, one of his medical attendants, who was living in hourly dread of a sudden sentence of death, told the em-



### TORONTO SATURDAY NIGHT.

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probably appropriately named. It is such a half-dead sort of entertainment that even the courage of the modern writer of the book of comic opera failed to claim for it a distinctive class. It is announced rather superfluously on the programme that The Maid and the Mummy was neither light nor comic opera, musical or farcical comedy, burlesque or extravaganza. It wasn't. It claimed to be a merry musical mélange containing some of the good points of them all. In the flashier and cruder points and in the beauty of some of the stage settings and the large, shapely chorus, the claim may be justified. With a possible additional redeeming feature in the fact that the music, while old and reminiscent, was bright and sparkling, there was little but a medley of nonsense seasoned with an occasional dash of coarseness that the palates of the patrons of the Princess do not require to make an evening's entertainment piquant. With all its undesirable and flimsy qualities, the Maid ond the Mummy gave Gilbert Gregory as MacSwat a ludicrous travesty of a Scottish character. Edward Garvie as the Mummy, May Boley as Trixie the actress, and Janet Priest, as a yellow-novel-read Bowery girl, an opportunity to do some clever work of the "specialty" kind.

At the Grand Opera House this week is a play entitled Mrs. Mac, the Mayor, which seems to contain a bit of everything from vaudeville down to the legitimate drama. It cannot be said to have any distinct plot, but Mrs. Mac is a host in himself. Several rather pretty songs are introduced, and a little step-dancing, love-making, and a villain or two thrown in, make Mrs. Mac, the Mayor, quite incongruous, but still rather pleasing.

Thurston the Magician heads the bill at Shea's this week, and his performance is far above the average. Some of his tricks are very extraordinary and startling, the most wonderful being the flotation of a young lady. An excellent turn is that of the De Koe Trio, their balancing and acrobatic work being of the finest. That black-faced minstrel, Lew Hawkins, is back again, with new stories and songs, and seems to be as popular as ever. Melville and Stetson are not quite up to their usual standard. Julia Kingsley and Nelson Lewis present a farce entitled Her Uncle's Niece, which is rather dull. Steele, Doty & Co, have a musical act which is quite good Klein and Clifton sing and dance and with the kinetograph complete the bill. \* \* \*

Considerable local interest has been aroused by the announcement that Henrietta Crosman will play an engagement here this spring. Miss Crosman's fame in the East is great. She has not been seen here in some years, and her engagement is likely to prove the event of the season. It is particularly gratifying to hear also that Miss Crosman will be seen in her greatest success. Mistress Nell, for local theater-goers are more anxious to see that play than any other of her repertoire. It was in Mistress Nell that Miss Crosman first startled New York, and since that time she has probably appeared more often in New York than any other actress. During the last two years, for instance, Miss Crosman has played outside of New York city only twelve weeks, and always to crowded houses.

The Theatrical Mechanical Association will give their annual entertainment for the benefit of the sick fund of the organization in the Grand Opera House on Friday afternoon, March 3, when a varied programme wil be presented, including numbers from the several attractions playing in the city during that week. The entertainment this season is under the patronage of His Excellency the Governor General. The Association will present each ticket-bolder with a neat souvenir—a cushion-cover depicting the British Empire.

One of the big productions of last scason, Sky Farm, which is to be seen at the Grand next week, was Boston's trump card of the year for almost four consecutive months and the equal delight of New York city for nearly one hundred nights thereafter. But a limited number of New England towns could be played in the interim. The piece has been given a presentation which, in extent and liberality, rivals those established successes, 'Way Doron East, Old Homestead, Lovers' Lane, etc. The play itself is considered the equal of, if not superior to, those other successes of Mr Kidder, A Poor Relation and Peaceful Valley, which that author furnished the late Sol Smith Russell. The company cast to the various characters has never been surpassed in a piece of similar kind, for each individual is a finished actor in his or her respective line of work. The result is said to be a well-rounded and harmonious whole. Sky Form succeeds with a great mass of theater-goers, probably because of its superabundance of fun and love-making. It has given the keenest satisfaction to thousands of the best class of theater patrons, and is expected to fill the house here.

"Mamma, which periodical is it that papa goes off on?" "I understand Dyer is living the simple life." "Yes, he's in a sanitarium

Crawford—Do you think mountain-climbing will ever become a fashionable amusement? Crabshaw—It looks that way. I see they are making autos that can do it.



A PICTURESQUE POSTER FOR PETER PAN-THE PIRATE SHIP.

Mr. J. M. Barrie may be caricatured, and his kail-yard stories laughed at, but few men of his day have made a greater impression on current literature or displayed greater versatility. A delightful play from his pen, Peter Pan: or the Boy Who Wouldn't Grow Up, a glorified fairy story with an Arabian Night's flavor, is having a most successful run in London, England, at the present time. The adventures of three children in Never-Never Land, where Peter Pan took them, are told with all the tender fancy that is peculiarly Mr. Barrie's own. The above scene is where the children of the Never-Never Land rout the pirates and in this picture, an evident study of the well-known "Napoleon on board the Bellerophon," Peter Pan is posing as the dethroned Emperor. This scene is utilized as a poster and is believed to be one of the most artistic and striking that has ever been displayed in London.

New York Letter.

(From Our Special Correspondent.)

INCOLN'S birthday anniversary is rapidly taking its place among the national holidays. Falling this year on Sunday, the virtues of the remarkable man were the theme of thousands of pulpit orators, while the Sunday illustrated papers devoted the usual space to the stirring events of which he will always remain sort of entertainment that even the courage of the modern writer of the book of comic opera failed to claim for it a distinguish of comic opera failed to the central, homely figure. Growing words have been spoken and penned, and they are all deserved, but, better than glowing words, is the eloquence of his own inscrutable silence. The mystery of this unassuming, homely man of genius, who touches our imagination beyond the depths that orators pene-

touches our imagination beyond the depths that orators penetrate, will always evade us, explain it how we will.

In some ways he seems the most solitary figure of the century. Standing apart from his contemporaries, through the very solitude of his genius, and apart from the background of snoke and battle, because the qualities of heart and mind for which he stands are fixed and eternal, while smoke and battle belong to the passions of a day.

Times change, and honest yarn socks would be sadly out of place in the present social splendor of White House—both the honesty and the yarn, perhaps. But, to allow the national soul to be impressed by the rugged, sterling simplicity of Lincoln's character, even for a day, cannot fail of good, though his ideals be all forgotten the other three hundred and sixty-four.

"Great captains with their guns and drums

"Great captains with their guns and drums Disturb our judgment for the hour, But at last silence comes."

During the recent campaign one of his Cabinet made the statement on behalf of the present White House occupant; that in all his public acts, the one question he asked himself was, "What would Lincoln do?" John D. Rockefeller is said to similarly ask himself, "What would Jesus do?" And the advantage in asking ourselves these questions is that we usu-

advantage in asking our secret these questions is that we usually get the answer we want.

There is pathos in all solitude and the pathos of Lincoln is no doubt heightened by his tragic death. No better commentary on the tragedy, nor, for that matter, on Lincoln's memory, has come to light than Walt Whitman's:

"O. Captain! my Captain! rise up and hear the bells;
Rise up—for you the flag is flung—for you the bugle trills,
For you bouquets and ribbon'd wreaths—for you the shores
a-crowding.
For you they call, the swaying mass, their eager faces turning;
Here, Captain, dear father!
This arm beneath your head!
It is some dream that on the deck,
You've fallon cold and dead."

You've fallen cold and dead.

To pass from grave to gay, the theatrical programmes of the coming week announce no new thing except Mr. Edward Terry, the celebrated English comedy actor, in still another play, The Passport. This will be Mr. Terry's last week with us, unfortunately, but if The Passport comes up to expectations it ought to prove the most successful week of his long

It is many a long day since New York has had a pure omedy actor in Mr. Terry's class, and such long lapses are odoubt unfortunate for the form of legitimate comedy that no doubt unfortunate for the form of legitimate comedy that ALT. Terry represents. Actors may come and go, but the stage mast needs go on forever, entertaining its patrons, somehow—if not wisely and well, then foolishly and ignobly. Boredom is a terrible thing, only a little less terrible than unproductive investments, and to the propinquity of these twain we undoubtedly owe much that the stage has brought forth in the name of comedy—musical and otherwise. A twist of the leg, or some equally vulgar peculiarity of gait or speech, passing current for the gift of inspired comedy.

That all this has had its effect on the public's taste, and understanding of comedy, Cousin Billy and Higgledy-Piggledy can bear witness. Fortunately, there is always the saving remnant, which, though often least in evidence, is the final arbiter of stage and other destinies. And to such Mr. Terry's visit has been an unmixed pleasure, even a joy that will not

visit has been an unmixed pleasure, even a joy that will not soon be forgotten. The lovableness of the man, too, seems to reach even beyond the influence of his art. Mr. Willard has likewise, through the collapse of the

'luckless" Durham, come to his last week with us, for the

present. The Brighter Side, that with a little re-writing, especially of the last feeble act, might make a strong comedy, proved a much better attraction than the Barrett play, but not of sufficient interest to justify its continuance. And for this, the closing week, we are to have this popular actor in his ever popular Middleman and The Professor's Love Story, two plays which best represent his versatility, one as a strong emotional actor and the other as an actor of a sweet, refined, light-comedy part. Neither of these plays is worn out by any means, and without the unlucky Durham at all, would have given the actor another successful American season.

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Much sympathy is felt for Mr. Willard that the Barrett
piece, on which he had bestowed so much care both in staging and rehearsing, should have proved such a failure. But,

that its failure was not foreseen, is only another illustration of the fallibility of stage judgment, to which even experienced managers are often prone.

Ada Rehan will appear this week in her famous rôle of Lady Teasle in School for Scandal. Last week we saw her in Taming of the Shrew and the well-known characterization still has all the distinction, that has made this actress famous since the old Daly Theater days of almost a generation ago. since the old Daly Theater days of almost a generation ago.

Miss Rehan seems to be the one classical actress left to us of the old school, and one of the few who can give real distinction to a Shakespearean part. Perhaps there is an unnecessary hardness to her Shrew's character, a too much tightening of the human chords, but in the tender love passages nothing could be finer, more graceful or more delicately convincing, and show more perfect command of her artistry. The old days of the Daly Theater stock company productions, wherein was writ so much of the best history of the American stage, are days of the long ago, and the theater itself is given up to ordinary Broadway attractions. But Ada Rehan's twenty years' association with the classic playhouse is still remembered by old theatergoers, who think of these years as the palmiest in the annals of stage history, in this country. Charles Richman, as Petruchio, gave a very pleasing performance, his great voice rolling and thundering about the stage with infinite delight to himself, and satisfaction to his audience. And, lest you should misunderstand all this makebelieve, his broad, jovial smile was always waiting to offer the "tip" and give the lie to all his bluster.

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J. E. W.

### Dust From the Stars.

T'S the extra pennyworth that Love gives, after the dedemands of duty are satisfied, that makes for immortality.

Do not talk about yourself; let purposes appear in your deeds.

Love may be a beggar; but Cupid never has to pass the tribution-box. Some people can't keep the Golden Rule, because it is

We can't measure the infinite with the yardstick of reason.

It takes a noble man to be just to his rival. No difficulties can withstand a stout courage and a strong

Enthusiasm is the headlight on the train of progress.

Every man has a Klondike in his own brain. Keep dig-

We must hoe our dry ideas with Reason, moisten them with Feeling, warm them with Fancy, before the flower of Beauty will bloom.

Age looks at life through blue goggles; youth through rose-tinted glasses. Both are wrong; but there is a freshness in the earlier vision that we long for in vain when it has van-

Patience wins. Success largely is a question of long life. The lights of the city are beacons of hope to the young, and demon's eyes to the wretched.

The eggs of success are not hatched by brooding. The suits of success are not ready-made. Every man must be his own tailor. ERNEST NEAL LYON.

### A Suppressed Insurrection.

MPAH!" quoth Morenstout cheerfully—and the first shovelful of snow sloshed into the gutter.
"Uh—pah!' grunted Morenstout grimly—and the fifth shovelful of snow squashed into the

and the litth shovelful of show squashed into the gutter.

"Um-m-m-pah!" groaned Morenstout dolefully—and the seventh shovelful of snow slopped into the gutter.

Then, with a furtive look at the windows, Morenstout straightened his aching back, rested his tired arms on the handle of the shovel, and mournfully surveyed the long expanse of snow-covered sidewalk still awaiting his ministra-

"Of course James had to take just this time to get himself laid up with rheumatism," he soliloquized sadly; "and of course this had to be the deepest snowfall of the winter; and of course it had to be the heaviest snow that ever did fall; and of course I had to let Martha banter me into making a fool of myself!"

Again Morenstout bent to his task, and the steady grunt

of myself!"

Again Morenstout bent to his task, and the steady grunt—slosh, grunt—slosh of the next minute or two testified to the strenuousness of his labors.

Then he took another rest, while bitterly communing with himself thus: "Two feet cleaned off, and all of forty-eight more to do. Looks to me like I may get through sometime next summer, if I hurry. If it wasn't for what Martha'd say, blamed if I wouldn't postpone the balance to next summer, or sine die. I have wondered how a wife-beater gets up the courage to do it. I'll be he wouldn't if he'd married Martha. Oh, Martha, Martha, what snow is shoveled in thy name!"

It was a full minute this time before Morenstout had to have another rest, and the grievances surging in his brain had to find ulterance.

"Confound it, Martha, I don't know why I should be afraid of your ridicule!" he burst out fiercely. "If you were at all kind and considerate you wouldn't expect me to spend all my time shoveling snow. If you really loved me, you'd know that I couldn't shovel snow without breaking my back. I don't care what you say, I'll never start to clean this blasted payement again. I suppose I'd never hear the last of it, or I'd quit this second."

Morenstout's following furious onslaught on the snow lasted fully thirty seconds, before he straightened up with a vicious jerk, slung his shovel savagely into the middle of the street, and stalked determinedly up the path to the front door. "I don't care a hang what Martha'll say!" he muttered through his set teeth. "I'm a man, and I'm going to assert my manhood. I've quit I If she wants that sidewalk cleaned, let her hire somebody who's used to that kind of work, or do it herself. She can roast me all she wants to, but she can't make a snow-heaver out of me any longer. I'm through!"

"Why, John," said Mrs. Morenstout, as her husband strode into the hall, and as innocently as though she had not been peeking through the window-curtains. "have you finished already? I knew a big, active man like you coald do it in half the tim

ished already? I knew a big, active man like you could do
it in half the time that lazy, good-for-nothing James always
took; but I'm afraid you worked too hard, dear. You're not
used to it, and you ought to have taken more time to it instead of working like a giant."
"Tisn't finished," replied Morenstout, looking uncertainly
every place except at his wife.
"Why, what's the matter, dear?" asked Mrs. Morenstout
solicitously. "You haven't broken the shovel with those great
big muscles of yours, have you? You must be careful, John;
you don't half realize how splendidly strong you are."
"Shovel's all right," replied Morenstout, gulping a little.
"T've—er—I've just come in for a drink of water. Awfully
thirsty work, shoveling snow is."

Alex. Ricketts.

ALEX. RICKETTS.

### Old Saws Refiled.

A watched Pot never boils over.
A Word to the Wise is wasted.
A rolling Stone gathers much experience.
A Party and his Money are soon fooled.
Modesty is the best Policy.
A Company is known by the Men it keeps.
Discretion is the unpopular Part of Valor.
Time and Tide could wait for no Woman.

### Delayed.

"Ladies," said the chairwoman of the club, "I must ask you to be patient. Mrs. Rumdum, who is to address us this afternoon on The Foolishness of Modern Fashion, has just telephoned that her modiste has only this moment delivered her new dress, and of course she must wait long enough to don it, as she could not appear before such a representative audience in a last season's gown."

With a chorus of murmured sympathy and approval, the members of the club settled back in their chairs to wait the arrival of the helpful speaker.

Nellie—He was positively rude to me. Mabel—You mustn't mind him; he's a diamond in the rough. Nellie—Well, after this he'll be a cut diamond.

Dull—Denham tells me he is studying harmony. I didn't know he was musical. Dull—He isn't. H to be married.



OBSTRUCTING THE JAPANESE.

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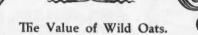
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OTTINGHAM was born with the proverbial silver spoon, and it was not until he was thirty-five and the silver spoon had melted in the hot crucible of a fast life that he arranged his headgear into a thinking-cap. And he faced the problem of making a living. It was not as easy as he fancied.

Other men of his age had been in training for fifteen or twenty years for the opportunities that thirty-five could expect, and he found that "these Johnnies" knew many things conducive to worldly prosperity undreamt of in the philosophy of clubs and drawing-rooms.

He was given charge of the foreign correspondence of the wholesale house that had reluctantly yielded to the pressure of social influence from Montreal, and the fact that he knew, through several years' residence in Paris, more about French and German than Ollendorf generally teaches. And he tried to work up an interest in German silver and French metal brooches and buckles and found it difficult to even nibblingly indulge in the tastes of other days on fifteen dollars a week.

"I potter along," he said to an old-time friend who had called on him en passant and was sympatrizing with the flaneur of a few years back as they sat in the hall bedroom of a Jarvis street boarding-house. "The worst of the whole thing is that I shall have to spend several years unlearning half the things I thought I knew. The whole point of view of life is changed when looked at through the wicket of a business office from the inside. There is nothing that I have picked up in the whole of my knock-about life that is of the least value to me in getting on in the business world. In fact what I have picked up, if I put it in practice, is a drawback. I rather prided myself on my French accent and my ability to catch on to the fine points of a French joke, but any Johnny with a Public school education can manage the ordinary French and German required in ordering or recepting bills for cutlery and brooches. The qualities that go to facilitating the blowing in of money are of no value towards its

loved.

He disliked Cottingham for no other reason probably than that his foreign-correspondence clerk had something that money



"You don't seem to know anything!" blustered the head of the firm

couldn't buy, that he couldn't force an employee to give abject explanations and excuses when he was censured for some trivial fault or oversight, that Cottingham was imperturbably calm when he burst tempestuously into the general office and gave everybody within earshot "Hail, Columbia!" while the others looked flustered or impressed. He almost hated him one afternoon after he had made Cottingham "walk the carpet" for a had quarter of an hour about nothing in particular. At the conclusion of that interview he had muttered something about beggars on horseback, and Cottingham had stepped quickly up to the desk and said quietly through his set teeth:

"Do you mean me, sir?"

He remembered that Cottingham's right hand was tightly clenched and that there was a dangerous light in his usually

clenched and that there was a dangerous light in his usually sleepy eyes.

"I mean nothing," he had managed to say, and he always felt that he had spluttered when he said it.

On account of Cettingham's Montreal connection he did not wish to dismiss him summarily without a valid reason, but he subjected him to the hundred-and-one annoyances to which only a chief with a petty disposition could subject a subordinate. He told him one afternoon that a cablegram was expected, and if it came to the office that evening he would like to have it delivered at once. Cottingham knew that this to have it delivered at once Cottingham knew that this meant his weary waiting in the office all evening to play tele-graph messenger about a cablegram formally announcing the shipping of a consignment of candelabra from Hamburg, but he said nothing.

The cablegram came about nine o'clock, and he buttone up his coat and walked through the cold January night the several miles to the home of his employer in the northern part of the city. Fifteen dollars a week makes a man in the vigor of life who cannot cure himself of a preference for decent Turkish cigarettes and cannot be chary in his laundry-bills recognised as to care from

cent Turkish cigarettes and cannot be chary in his laundry-bills, economical as to car-fare.

He had left Yonge street and had taken a short cut across the Ravine when, ascending the winding snow-covered road, he saw a cab drawn up in the shadow of the trees that covered a vacant lot. The freshly-fallen snow had deadened the sound of his footsteps and he heard a half-familiar voice say:

"You are sure, cabman, that you can catch the 10.45 train. I only want to catch it, remember. I want toget there just five minutes before it goes. I have the tickets. I want just time to catch it. Not a minute too soon or too late. So gauge your driving accordingly. I will be back in a few minutes."

"Tickets, eh? Plural. Something must be doing in romantic Rosedale," thought Cottingham, and he tried to think where he had heard that voice before. He paused in his struggle with memory and the fur-clad figure, who had been talking to the cabman passed him in the moonlight, and he can his face.

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"At his old tricks," said Cottingham, quietly to himself.
"Stole cards in a Montreal club and had to withdraw his name. Stole money when he was a bank-clerk and the affair was hushed up by his friends. Stole a French-Canadian chambermaid's happiness and now is trying the same game on in swagger Rosedale."

And the man ahead of him whistled softly twice and a hooded fur-swathed form came from a side-door towards him.
"Well, I'll be hanged if it's not the old man's," muttered Cottingham. "Those furs don't belong to any servant girl. Great heavens!" as his eyes caught a glimpse of the woman's face in the moonlight, "it is—it is—i"

He didn't say a word for a minute, and stood quietly in the shadow of an overhanging elm. The pair moved quickly towards him in the direction of the waiting cab. They were opposite him when he stepped out of the shadow to the side-

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opposite him when he stepped walk.

"Pardon me, Ferguson. Could I speak to you a minute? I must, I suppose, speak before a third party. You remember that cheque you gave me three years ago for which there were



PRIMUM VIVERE, DEINDE PHILOSOPHARI.

"Is Florrie's engagement really off, then?"
"Oh, yes. Jack wanted her to give up gambling and smoking, and goodness knows what else." (Chorus)—"How absurd!"—Punch.

no funds? Well, if that is not paid in one hour you will be arrested for obtaining money under false pretences. There will be a policeman watching that you don't leave on the 10.45 train. I shall telephone down to police headquarters in a few minutes to watch out for you. You had better give up your drive to-night, as this matter is pressing."

Cottingham never looked at the fur-swaddled figure. He looked only at Ferguson, but he could tell by a half-stifled cry that he was not the only one who had seen the look of fear and guilt on Ferguson's face.

A quarter of an hour afterwards he was in his chief's drawing-room calmly receiving the censures for his late arrival with a message which was merely part of the formality of business.

There is nothing that's lost that is hopelessly lost.

Get a grip.

The prize we may win if we work for the cost.

Get a grip.

The man who courts failure can win it, I know;

He has but to give up and let the thing go,

But the fellow who wins must stand to the blow.

Get a grip.

I am preaching this sermon not only for you,—
Get a grip—
For I need it myself; I most certainly do—
Get a grip.
But I've watched the great game till I know how it's played,
And the man who wins out is the man undismayed
By the blow that another would lay in the shade.
Get a grip.

A. J. W.

Mrs. Crawford-Has she gone to Florida for business or

Mrs. Crabshaw—As she took her three marriageable daughters along there won't be much pleasure for her duless she does some business.

### It Applies to Toronto.

T was the last three minutes before the curtain was rung down on the new drama which had held enchained a vast audience—an audience composed largely of women, for the occasion was a Saturday matinée. And now the eroine and the villian were about to explain their erratic

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"You fine gentlemen in my office don't seem to know any hing!" blustered the head of the firm from his point of vantage before the fire-place.

"Oh, yes, sir," said Cottingham, and the smile in his eyes belied the deprecatory tone. "Some of us know a thing or two."

And gradually Cottingham's chief is beginning to think so, for his wife is believed to have great influence over him.

LEWIS.

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### Puzzle.

MAN and a woman once dwelt together is as much mutual love and harmony as we ever expect to see in such cases.

The woman was changeable, unreliable, selfish, deceptive, sincere, extravagant, economical, conventional, startling, and so forth—that is, she was the usual thing.

The mau was sober, somewhat dull, hard working and extremely restless, for his curiosity was unsatisfied; and, after they had lived together a year or more, he said to the woman:

woman;
"I have been studying you for some time, and I must confess that I do not understand you."
"Keep on trying," said the woman confidently; "muybe you will some day."
So the man sat around for another year, and watched and

waited, and was uneasy and pleasant and irritable and morose by turns, and then, his curiosity still unquenched, he came again, and said:

"Do you know, you're as much of an enigma to me as ever? Everything else that I have ever tried to know I have found out, but I'll be hanged if I understand you."

"Don't give up," said the woman, with a perfectly-satisfied-with-herself smile. "Keep up the good work."

And so for another year the man kept it up, and was as full of eagerness as ever. And the woman was simply delighted.

lighted.

"I have him worried," she said to herself. "All I've got to do is to keep him guessing, and he is mine for keeps."
But about this time the man failed to come around. And then it became the woman's turn to be anxious.
She had a long hunt, but hinally she found him.

"Look here," she said, "what's the meaning of this? I just know that I haven't been stupid enough to let you find me out. You don't understand me any better than you did, do you?"

do you?"

The man smiled indifferently. Even to answer such a question seemed somewhat of a bore.
"Not a bit better," he replied. "But, you see, I have found another woman who is even more of a puzzle to me than you are."

Tom Masson.

### Maxims.

SAW cuts but in one direction. So does the maxim or adage. It is a half-truth, that, to become truly pregnant, needs to be wedded to its complementary statement. And, like a happy married pair, each is so wise, so true, so beautiful, that we can scarcely tell which is the better half. Maxims are like lawyers who must needs see but one side of a case. They disregard half the evidence and formulate their prosecution or defence in a single crisp sentence. "He who hesitates is lost," says one. "Look before you leap," says the other. I need but to give a list of contradictory saws to prove my point. Let me give them, paired, to show how difficult it is to derive wisdom from knowledge.

A man is known by the company he keeps. Appearances are deceitful.

Honesty is the best policy. The truth is not to be spoken at all times.

Too many cooks spoil the broth. In a multitude of counsellors there is wisdom, or, Two heads are better than one.

Out of sight, out of mind.

Absence makes the heart grow fonder. Take care of the pence, and the pounds will take care of

Penny wise and pound foolish A bird in the hand is worth two in the bush. Nothing venture, nothing have.

A rolling stone gathers no moss. A setting hen never grows fat.

A patient waiter is no loser.

The early bird catches the worm. There are as good fish in the sea as ever were caught

It never rains but it pours. Every cloud has a silver lining

When poverty comes in at the door, love flies out at the keyhole. Money is the root of all evil.

One swallow does not make a summer. Straws show which way the wind blows

Tis a long lane that has no turning.
Tis never too late to mend, or, As the twig is bent, the tree's inclined.

Poverty makes strange bedfellows. Birds of a feather flock together.

The gods give nuts to those that have no teeth. God tempers the wind to the shorn lamb.

Familiarity breeds contempt. Every crow thinks her chick the blackest.

So it is, that truth is too elusive, too elastic to be compressed into a single sentence. To sail directly to windward we must beat back and forth from one approximation to another.

Gelett Burgess.

### Local News.

(From the Athens [Greece] Gazette.)
For valentines go to Johnsonides. A fine supply, edtf
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Work on the Parthenon is rapidly being pushed to a finish.

Several from here have the la grippe. Doc. Hippocrates is attending most of the indispositions, and under his able care much convalescence is hoped for.

Solon, counselor and attorney-at-law. Three parasangs to the right from the drug-store. Strictest confidence. Adv. Pericles is having the front of his house painted. Praxiteles is doing the job, which is a swell one.

Zenophile of Sparta was buggy-riding Sunday eve. We mention no names.

Taxes is most due.

Croesus called on ye editor Wednesday and paid cash for another year for the greatest of weeklies, the Gezette. It is

another year for the greatest of weeklies, the Gezette. It is a pleasure to do business with a gentleman like him. Come again, Croes.

As we go to press war is raging on the Aegean.

News items to the Gazette always welcome.

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Socrates spent Sunday with his wife.
Miltiades has received the pension he was working for.
Here's our right hand, Milt.
An anagram party was held at the residence of Xerxes
Jones yester evening, it being his natal day. A dandy time is
reported as having been had. A collation was served.

### A Preference.

I've much admired those valentines All filigreed with lace— Adorned with divers lovesick lines For ardent swains to trace.

And yet the valentine whose charms Gave me more real bliss s one who snuggled in my arms And answered every kiss.

### An Acceptance Card.

The editor takes pleasure in saying that your story, entitled The Buzz of the Buzzard, is accepted for the Gurething Magazine. The acceptance of an article however, does not necessarily imply that it possesses merit. Any one of a number of reasons may lead to its acceptance—such, for instance, as a specious timeliness, the fact that it will exactly fit an empty space, any kind of notoriety attached to the writer's name, the possession by the magazine of a useless illustration, purchased by mistake, which, in an emergency, can be made to misillustrate some of its incidents, or even temporary aberration on the part of the Editor. The absence of criticism is kindly asked to be excused, owing to the vast number of manuscripts which the Editor daily returns without reading at all. Check in payment for your story will, in all probability he sent you some day; meantime the Editor would counsel the beautiful virtue of patience.

"Nothing is so doubtful as uncertainty," remarked Ho-jack, oracularly.
"Except a dead-sure thing," added Tomdik.



BLENDING A RACE

The effect of the new street-car regulation compelling passengers to sit uncomfortably close has already proved ng. Faces, features and forms are becoming blended, from excessive crowding, in a most striking manner, as is shown in the drawing from life made by our artist in a Toronto street-car.



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MONG the many quaint and charming groups at the Paper ball none was more admired than the coterie from Hamilton who came down with that most enthusiastic Regent, Mrs. P. D. Crerar. Their costumes were copied from ancient illustrations in Funch and the London News and the group of sixteen formed a set called "Fifty Years Ago." The ladies wore frilled skirts of soft white crépe paper touched on the edges with gold, and ballooned by small crinolines. The prim bodice and bertha caught with bunches of pink paper roses and foliage; prim bodice and bertha caught with bunches of pink paper roses and foliage; the dark hair softly rolled back from a parting and dressed low behind; wreaths of the pink roses and stiff little round bouquets of them with paper frills and quaint old silver bouquet-holders, gave the finishing touch, literal coup de grâce to these fascinating toilettes. The men were dandies of 1855, with high cambric stocks, brocade waistcoats, and fobs. This set even danced in the style of the carly lifties and was the cynosure of all eyes at the ball. Mr. and Mrs. Crerar were congratulated on all sides on the success of the charming set from the Ambitious City.

A feast of sweet things has been this week offered by the Mendelssohn Choir to the musical public. I am glad to hear that the arrangements for the trip to Buffalo were carried through. We are all so proud of the perfect programmes of the Mendelssohn Choir that we fear prohing from the most evigent critic. nothing from the most exigeant critic.

Ambitious City.

For the third time the Driving Club For the third time the Driving Club has been favored with perfect Canadian winter weather, and last Saturday the meet was, as usual, at the Guns at half-past three. There were so many other things on, last Saturday, a day becoming very busy for society folk, that some of the drivers had to cut out the very delightful rendezvous provided at Dean croft for earlier-made engagements. When the party arrived well prepared for something cosy and warm, they were When the party arrived well prepared for something cosy and warm, they were welcomed to the lately occupied home of Major and Mrs. Gooderham with a hospitality as elegant as it was hearty. A huge table, glowing with many vases of Meteor roses, and loaded with dainties, in the dining-room, was the pleasant following of Mrs. Gooderham's kind greeting, and the men and women soon surrounded it and enjoyed its good things. The men left their driving-coats in the billiard-room, the extension which Mr. Gooderham added to the stately home, and an ideal apartment. "Wish I had one like it," was the frank remark me, and an ideal apartment. "Wish I I one like it," was the frank remark an appreciative man. Everyone was dt to see Mrs. Gooderham looking a like her old radiant self, after such bit like her old radiant self, after such a long and tedious invalidism. A few of those who drove and took tea were: The Master, Miss Beardmore, Mr. Lissant Beardmore, Miss Evelyn Mackenier of Montreal, who is visiting Mrs. Reaves in St. George street; Dr. and Mrs. Campbell Myers, Miss Louie Janes, Lieutenant-Colonel and Mrs. Victor Williams, Lieutenant-Colonel Stimson, Dr. and Mrs. Young, Mrs. Jack Dixon, Mr. and Mrs. Lionel Clark, Mrs. Hay of Strathearn, Dr. Lang, Lieutenant-Colonel and Mrs. J. B. MacLean, Dr. Charles Temple, Miss Phemie Snith, Mrs. John I. Davidson, Mrs. Arthur Charles Temple, Miss Phemie Smith, Mrs. John I. Davidson, Mrs. Arthur Vankfoughnet, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Beatty, Dr. and Mrs. Peters, Miss Constance Rudyerd Boulton, Miss White of Quebec, Miss Kerr of Rathnelly, Miss Cawthra. The Master led the drive with

Another popular Saturday reumon was given at the Strolling Players' Club which was, as usual, on Saturdays, crowded with members and their friends. The visit of Mr. Ernest Thompson Seton, who came with his sister-in-law, Mrs. J. Enoch Thompson, was of great interest to the club, and the clever visitor made a short speech which was likewise acceptable. As Mr. Seton's train was very late other friends who had hoped to entertain him during his flying visit were unable to do so. Mr. Seton is on a lecturing tour as far as California, and gave a lecture on Wild Animals in Their Hemes at the Saturday Pop in Association Hall, for which seats could not be got at eight o'clock. Association Hall seats over a thousand people of the saturday of the seats over a thousand people of the saturday of the seats over a thousand people of the saturday of the seats over a thousand people of the saturday Another popular Saturday reunion

A very sweet and pretty bride received last week when Mrs. Norman Seagram's friends found their way on Thursday and Friday to the Buchanan residence in St. George street to offer her their heartiest greetings. The bride wore her wedding robes of heavy, cream-white satin, and was assisted by her sister, Mrs. Gooderham Mitchell, who, as Zulu Buchanan, was for the short season of her début before her martiage so popular a belle. In the dining-room the bevy of bridesmaids served tea, ices and bride-cake from a very beautiful buffet done in white and pink carnations and lighted by a pink-shaded candelabrum over billows of tulle in the center. The girls in the tea-room included Miss Mary Miles, Miss Mollie Waldie, Miss Frances Heron, Miss G. Clarkson Jones, Miss Olive Buchanan and Miss Mary Campbell, who were of last year's bridal group.

Mrs. Mulock gave a bridge matinee on Thursday of last week with a few extra guests for tea after the game. The hostess looked very bandsome in a turquoise voile gown trimmed with white lace and touches of turquoise velvet, and the cosy home was a very pleasant place on that cold winter afternoon. The prize winners included Miss Rutherford, Miss Maule, Mrs. S. Schoenberger, Miss Freeland, ars. Melvin-Jones, Mrs. Magann and Mrs. Gwyn Francis. Among the guests were Lady Mulock, Mrs. G. R. R. Cockburn, his whisky.

Mrs. Victor Williams, Miss Casault of Quebec, Mrs. Haydn Horsey, Mrs. Weston Brock, Mrs. Denison, Mrs. Percy Beatty, Mrs. Graham Thompson, Mrs. Northcote, Mrs. O'Hara, Mrs. Harry Patterson, Mrs. Farrell of Winnipeg, Mrs. Barwick, Mrs. W. R. Riddell, Mrs. Gus Burritt, Miss Kirkpatrick, Miss Rosamond Boultbee, Mrs. Vere Brown, Mrs. Harry Greene, Mrs. R. A. Smith, Miss Nordheimer of Glenedyth, Miss Gladys Nordheimer, Mrs. Gordon Osler, Miss Ramsay, Mrs. McDowall Thomson, Mrs. Charlie Temple.

Mrs. John Macbeth gave a luncheon at the Ladies' Club on Tuesday, at which Mrs. Cameron of Winnipeg was guest of honor.

Mrs. Willie Gooderham gave a bridge natinée on Wednesday.

Mrs. Weston Brock gave a bridge matinée yesterday afternoon at her apartment in the St. George.

On Thursday of last week Mrs. Gourlay and Mrs. Breckenridge gave a large afternoon tea in honor of Mrs. David Gourlay. Mrs. Gourlay received in a beautiful Chantilly dress over white, and the bride wore a lovely gown of pink with cream lace. Mrs. Breckenridge (née Gourlay) in champagne voile over green silk, and Miss Gourlay in her bridesmaid's gown of white crêbe de bridesmaid's gown of white crêpe de Chine, were also of the reception party. The decorations of the tea-table were pink flowers, and Mrs. Burnett, with the maid-of-honor, Miss Burnett, assisted in the tea-room. Mrs. Burnett wore black relieved with turquoise, and Miss Bur-nett her dainty violet-tinted maid-ofhonor dress.

The Los Angeles Express says: "Mr. and Mrs. D. F. Donegan of 1333 Lin-wood street entertained with a dinner of fourteen covers last evening in honor of Mr. and Mrs. T. P. Phelan of Toronto, Can., who came here recently to attend the marriage of their son, Mr. Harry Warde Phelan, to Miss Stella Donegan. The table was prettily decorated with violets, and cards marking the places violets, and cards marking the places were ornamented with sketches of the same flowers. Later in the evening the entire party occupied boxes at the Mason to witness the presentation of Mother Goose, Mr. and Mrs. Phelan, who are guests at the Donegan home for several weeks, celebrated their twenty-fifth wedding anniversary yesterday, and it was in honor of the date the affair was

### Dividing the Blame.

A little girl in Brooklyn was discov

A little girl in Brooklyn was discovered by her mother engaged in a spirited personal encounter with another little girl of her own age. Both combatants showed signs of the encounter.

The mother took her daughter into the house, and talked with her regarding the awfulness of her conduct. "Don't you know such conduct is wrong?" asked the mother. "It was Satan that urged you to fight."

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"Well," said the little girl, "maybe he told me to pull her hair, but I thought of kicking her shins all by myself"." self."-Woman's Home Companion

### The Game of Suburban Burglary.

HIS little recreation, at present in great favor with those residing in the country, is absorbingly entertaining and entirely safe. To play it there are required only a country house, a householder, his wife, and a family cat. No burglar is necessary. The game is played at night, and begins with the upsetting of an umbrellastand by the cat. The householder's wife sits up. If the bed squeaks, it counts five points in favor of the burglar. The burglar receives three points in addition for each oath of the householder. HIS little recreation, at present in

The householder rises and seizes his revolver. If the revolver is loaded, the householder counts ten. If he can find his slippers, he counts fifteen.

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He descends the front stairs, gripping the banisters tightly. (It is for this reason that he is termed the "householder.") Five points are added to the burglar's score for every time the householder sneezes; but if the latter reaches the foot of the stairs without falling, he is entitled to ten. If he sets off a burglar alarm, twenty points for the burglar; if he steps upon a tack thirty. It.

could not be got at eight o'clock Association Hall seats over a thousand people, and judging from the laughter and
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chear space he can mind. The house holder should carry a pad and pencil and keep his own score; or the wife can do it upstairs, if she listens closely. To carry a lamp is, of course, a foul, and gives the game to the burglar.

There are many variations to this game. There may be several householders or several burglars. The burglar side is handicapped twenty points for each extra man; the householders, on the other hand, are credited fifty points to each extra man they take on. The reason for this is that the extra men generally serve as burglars before the game is over.

Another variation of this game may be played if there be a stable, one or more horses, and a hired boy. This is especially a game for winter nights. The hired boy leaves the stable-door open, and the horses disport themselves upon the front piazza of the house.—Collier's.

A thing of duty is a bore forever. His Washerwoman's You (re a miss ing shirt)—Please, sir, mum sez 'dad's bin 'rested fer drunk 'n disorderly 'n hittin a pleeceman, an' if you want yer shirt you'll have to bail it out.

William (alias Bill)-I believe poor Wheelan underwent a painful and daugerous operation in the hospital. James (alias Jim)—Alas! yes. They cut off

### The Rising in Poland.

It is the misfortune of an autocracy which governs unwilling subjects that a disaster abroad always suggests the fear of a rising at home. Ever since Japan's war with Russia began we have heard rumors that Poland was on the eve of revolt. But revolutions cannot be made without the musitons of war and without the munitions of war, and though the Poles have cherished a wild dream of freedom ever since their cyn-ical partition in the eighteenth century, nothing is less likely than a triumphant

insurrection.

If it be true that that country is happy which has no history, then is Poland the most miserable country in Europe. For her history is but a long romance of lost endeavors and ineffectual heroes. In the sixteenth century she was one of the Great Powers. Under the house of Jacellon she governed a wast territory and processed to the control of the con gellon she governed a vast territory, and included within her borders much that had once been part of Russia, and which was destined before long to become Ruswas destined before long to become Russian again. But in 1573 she ensured her own ultimate ruin by making the crown elective, not hereditary. Henceforth the best energies of the country were wasted in the idle choice of a sovereign and in the civil wars which this choice necessitated. The King, the mere puppet of the nobles, lost his power with his independence, while the people sacrificed whatever liberty had once been theirs. All the power was concentrated in the

whatever liberty had once been theirs. All the power was concentrated in the nobles, who were too busy in controlling the succession to protect their country against invasion. Now and again a hero like Sobieski rekindled the patriotism of the Poles, but their existence as a great nation was finished, and by a series of partitions their territory was divided among Russia Austria and by a series of partitions their territory was divided among Russia, Austria and Prussia. But even after the partition Russian Poland preserved some sort of independence until in 1825 the Emperor Nicholas took away her constitution, and since then she has been but a vassal of the Empire of the Czar.

However, loyal to her past, she did not submit tamely to the knout of the conqueror. Twice—in 1831 and 1863—she made ineffectual attempts to regain

she made ineffectual attempts to regain her liberty, but the odds against her were always too strong, and too strong her liberty, but the odds against her were always too strong, and too strong the odds remain to-day. Strikes there way be in Warsaw and other towns. The hopeless indignation which must ever smoulder in the heart of a conquered people will blaze out in isolated acts of violence, or in eloquent and helpless protests against the oppression of the bureaucracy. But two things are necessary to a practical revolution—arms and unanimity. And Poland has neither. In spite of the fearless enthusiasm which ran through Russian Poland in 1863, the insurgents soon discovered that they could neither procure sufficient arms nor agree upon a leader. The utmost they could achieve was to embarrass their rulers, and though the task of embarrassment is far easier now than then, we doubt whether the aspirations of the Poles have any better chance of realization. Imagine for a moment the vast difficulty of their enterprise.

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Poland is a victim not of one empire, but of three. If she attempted to make her proud dream of unification come true, she would arouse the anger of Germany and Austria as well as of Russia, and she would be smashed like a nut in the nut-crackers. Nor would the Russian Poles fare much better if they isolated themselves from their compatriots and took advantage of the war Reached by patriots and took advantage of the war with Japan. Even if they were able to revolt, which we believe impossible, they would only exchange one harsh ruler for another.

The German Emperor would not per mit a free nation to exist so near his own borders and to be a perpetual men-ace to the security of the Poland over which he himself rules. Nor, in truth which he himself rules. Nor, in truth, is Prussian Poland so tranquil that William II. can run the risk of disaffection. By forbidding the Polish nobles from owning land in their own country he has completely alienated them, and less than three years ago the Empress' own brother publicly denounced the Imperial policy in Poland. If, then, the Russian Policy in Poland. If, then, the Russian Poles were to throw off the yoke by a happy combination of circumstances, they would have but a small chance of keeping their liberty; they would merely scape the harsh government of the Czar o fall under the pedantic dominion of

German Emperor.
But had the Czar remained true to his earlier impulses, he need never have feared a rebellion in Poland. There feared a rebellion in Poland. There was a time, some eight years ago, when he was received in Warsaw with acclamation. Not merely did he dare to ride through the streets of the Polish capital, as though he were a free man, but he initiated reforms, and plainly showed that he was determined that his Polish subjects should live their lives as citizens and not as slaves. He abolished the hated land tax, he permitted the Polish language to be used in the schools, and in spite of M. Pobiedonostzeff, he allowed the Roman Catholics to practice their religion untrammelled. Had this benign system of government continued, the Poles would have had no wish to rebel. But presently the party of "thorough" had its way, and it is un-likely that Nicholas II. will ever again drive through the streets of Warsaw protected and acclaimed by his faithful

Thus in Warsaw, as since in St. Petersburg, he threw away his chance, and by fear or inaction sacrificed the popularity which is the best safeguard to a throne. The Poles, cheated of their hopes, are once more eager to snap the ties which bind them to Russia. But throne. The Poles, cheated of their hopes, are once more eager to snap the ties which bind them to Russia. But how shall they achieve success? As we have said, they have not the munitions of war, which are indispensable to rebellion, nor have they the union, which alone could strengthen their enfeebled arms. And there are other reasons why they will in all probability continue to bow the knee to Russia. Nowadays the chance of a triumphant revolt is almost hopeless. In the first place the efficiency of modern weapons has established the power of an autocrat as upon a rock. It is idle for men, hungry and unarmed, to run upon artillery, and the Poles of today have not even so good a chance as the Poles of 1863 of meeting their masters on equal terms.

In the second place, broad streets and open spaces have put barricades, the best

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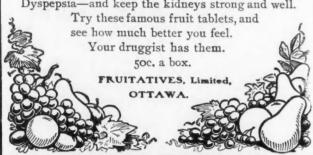
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are inclined in the right direction—as regards furnishing for comfort as well as for style—is evidenced by the great demand for Turkish rugs. Of course, all rugs are not really Turkish that are called by that name; but those who can afford the genuine article will have nothing else but those of Oriental manufacture and even people of moderate means who have good taste would rather have one genuine Turkish or Persian rug than half-a-dozen of the imitation kind. That the real thing in this line is appreciated, can best be understood when we remember the fact that there is in Toronto a firm whose business is devoted exclusively to Oriental rugs and draperies, etc., of Turkish and Persian manufacture—namely, Courian, Babayan & Co.—and it is learned from Mr. Babayan, the well-known member of this firm, who has justly earned the esteem and confidence of the art-loving people throughout Canada, that the deesteem and confidence of the art-loving people throughout Canada, that the de-mand for their class of goods is steadily on the increase. In their magnificent Oriental show-rooms at 40 King street east are to be found some of the finest specimens of the Persian rug-weaver's art ever exhibited in this country, as well as many beautiful lines of Eastern portieres and draperies—Persian, Royal Bokhara, Kazah, Anatolian, Kirmanshah, Serebent rugs, Damascus and Indian art furniture. There is much of interest in this unique establishment, to repay a visit from any lover of things artistic. In addition to the rugs and draperies, the rooms contain many odd and beau-tiful artisles in breauter from Dames. tiful articles in brassware from Damas-cus and East India—tea-trays, tabourets, vases and ornaments. It should be

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Oriental Rugs in the houses of Canada.

With the growth of the country and increase in wealth of the population, Canada is fast becoming a land of fine homes, and that the tastes of the people are inclined in the right direction—as regards furnishing for comfort as well as for style—is evidenced by the great deforms the straightforward and up-to-date business methods they have won the confidence of all who have had occasion to consult them in they have won the confidence of all who have had occasion to consult them in furnishing their homes. A special sale is to be held by Messrs. Courian, Babayan & Co. next week, starting Tuesday, February 21. This sale will be conducted by Charles M. Henderson, the well-known Toronto auctioneer, and should prove a golden opportunity for those who appreciate such goods, to obtain beautiful Persian and Turkisl. rugs at exceptionally low prices.

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In response to earnest solicitations from her husband to be kind to a mili-tary officer to whom he had taken a fancy, a western woman sent out an lancy, a western woman sent out an invitation and received an acceptance. We clip it from the Youth's Companion:

She dispatched a note, in which she said: "Mrs. Brown requests the pleasure of Captain White's company at supper on Wednesday evening."

She received a prompt and joyful reply, which read: "With the exception of the men who have other engagements.

the men who have other engagements, Captain White's company will come with

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Misery loves company, but the conpany doesn't always reciprocate. We have all heard of wolves in sheep's clothing, but the wolf at the door generally comes disguised as a bit collector.

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client women. In ancient days our women were well educated and free as air. That which arrested the rolling ball of progress is not due to any innate weakness in the constitution of society, occasioned by never-ending foreign invasions. Unfortunately for India, it has been a covetous object of conquest by barbarous hordes devastated the rich plains of India, converted the smiling land into a dreary waste, toppled down magnificent temples, whose ruins even to this day excite awe and admiration at the high state of architectural skill the Hindus had attained, carried off women and children as slaves and drove people into mountain fastnesses and marshyplains, where denizens of the forest offered them a better and a more cordial welcome than the savage invaders did. Chaos reigned supreme. When anarchy and insecurity danced in savage glee,

The Women of India.

In the first place, it is necessary to state that the conception of a family among the Hindius is different from that of the Western peoples, the state of the conception of a family among the Hindius is different from that of the Western peoples, as joint-family system, Father, some conditions of the family bring the earnings to the family, bring the earnings to the the family, bring the earnings to the the family bring the earnings to the the family bring the earnings to the family bring the earnings to the the family bring the earnings to the family bring the earning to the family bring the earnings to the family bring the earnin

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# Anecdotal

A story is told of a high Anglo-Indian officer who was in the habit of soundly thrashing his servants when they displeased him. One day he ordered a servant to go to a summer-house in the compound and wait for him there. Presently turning up with a heavy horsewhip, he thus addressed the offender: "Now, you socundrel, I've got you in a place where no one can hear, and I'll thrash you within an inch of your life." The servant, though a man of powerful physique, squirmed, native-like. "Sah, you sure no one can hear?" "Yes, you scoundrel, I've brought you here on purpose." "Then, sah, I think I thrash you." And he did it so thoroughly that his master was not visible for a week.

John la Farge, the painter, talked in New York at the Arts Club of the wit of beggars. "Beggars need to be witty," he said. "They live by their wits, you know. It isn't strange that they should be quicker than the solid and respectable business man in repartee. A solid and respectable business man was hurrying along Broadway the other night when a beggar accosted him. The night was cold and very raw. A strong wet wind was blowing from the sea. Now a few snowlakes fell. Now there fell a few heavy and cold drops of rain. The beggar was shivering. He had on no overcoat and no gloves. His hands and wrists stuck out of his tight, short coatsleeves, red and stiff and cold-looking. His cheeks were hollow (Can you give me a little help, sir?' he said. The business man took a dime from his pocket. 'Look here,' he said if I give you this dime, you won't get drunk on it, will you?' 'Oh, no, sir, said the beggar 'I shall go at once and dime at the St. Regis.'"

A good sort of trolley conductor, who has ears for other things besides the bell, vouches for this story: A woman hoarded his car at the cemetery the other day shaking with sobs. She had not been in the car long when two women took seats opposite her. One of them seemed to recognize the woman from the cemetery, hesitated for a moment, the crossed the aisle and spoke to her. The sobbing one looked up and the identification was complete. "Why, Mary," said the woman who had crossed the aisle, where have you been for so long and what is the matter?" "I have been married," came the sob-broken answer, "and I'm just after cremating my husband." ried," came the sob-broken answer, "and I'm just after cremating my husband." Condolences were offered and the widow soon afterwards left the car, apparently cheered, while her friend returned to the seat beside her companion, and told all that Mary had unbosomed to her. "And she's got husbands to burn," remarked the companion enviously, "while I'm still single."

"Hall Came, the last time he was in Philadelphia, spent the evening with meat the University Club," said a Philadelphia journalist. "His conversation was very brilliant. It was very striking Hall Caine said that we could learn a lesson from the very lowliest. He said a bishop could learn a lesson from a convict on that point he told me a true story. A bishop, riding in his carriage on the Isle of Man, came to a convict in his striped clothes, breaking stones on the road. The bishop talked to the convict a little while, giving him some advice and encouragement. Then, as he used ready to drive on, he said with a smile and a sigh: 'Ah, my man, I wish I could break up the stony hearts of my people as you break these rocks on the highway.' From his lowly attitude the convict looked up at the proud bishop in his magnificant equipage. 'Perhaps, sir,' he said, 'you don't work on your snees.' magnificant equipage. 'Perhaps, sir, said, 'you don't work on you



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### Ideas for Stories.

MONG weird fiction there are few novels to compete with The Strange Story of Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde, and the story of its inception is O almost as strange as the work itself.

work itself.

Stevenson, it appears, had dealings with a man named Samuel Creggan, and did not like him. "He's a man who trades on the Samuel," averred the novelist. "He receives you with Samuel's smile on his face; but every now and then you catch a glimpse of the Creggan peeping out like a white ferret. Creggan's the real man; Samuel's only superficial"

This was what gave Stevenson the first idea for the dual personality of Jekyll and Hyde, but he did not begin

One night, however, Mrs. Stevenson was awakened by cries of horror from her husband, and thinking that he had a nightmare, aroused him. He was quite

"Why did you wake me?" he asked.
"I was dreaming a fine bogey tale." He got up at once and began writing in a sort of fever. His biographer, Mr. Osborne, says that it is doubtful whether the first draft took him so long as three

Treasure Island, by the same author,

days.

Treasure Island, by the same author, had a beginning almost equally strange. One day Robert Louis Stevenson was playing with a box of water-colors belonging to his stepson, and idly drew and colored a map of an imaginary island. To quote his own words:

"It was elaborately, and, I thought, beautifully colored: the shape of it took my fancy beyond expression; it contained harbors that pleased me like sonnets, and with the unconsciousness of the predestined. I ticketed it 'Treasure Island.'

The next thing I knew, I had some paper before me and was writing out a list of chapters."

The upshot was that for the next fifteen days Stevenson wrote like one possessed, turning out a chapter a day. Then he lost hold, and it was weeks before the inspiration came again, but when it did Treasure Island flowed from him "like small talk," and ran serially in a children's paper.

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familiar to most of us.

Sir Conan Doyle says that the original idea of Sherlack Holmes came to him in 1886. He had been reading some detective stories which disgusted him, because the authors always depended for their chmax on some never on the unaided of

never on the unaided deductions of the detective's own mind. He adds that his old professor at Edinburgh was in a way the original of Holmes, for it was his habit to work out effect from cause just as logically as he would have diagnosed a disease. The dramatization of Sherlock Holmes was suggested to Mr. Gillette in a rather curious fashion. Picking up one day an old copy of a New York yellow journal, he read in it an interview with Dr. Conan Doyle, in which the idea of making Sherlack Holmes the hero of a play was mooted.

Mooted.

As a matter of fact, this interview ras a "fake"—it had never taken place t all. But it gave Mr. Gillette an idea, and when Mr. Frohman asked him for play he remembered the imaginary in-

Mr. Fergus Hume has told the stor, of how he came to write The MysLry of a Hansom Cab. He was in Melboarne at the time, and in financial straits, for he had entirely failed to dissoce of a play to which he had given each time.

He thought he might do better with a ook, but the question was "what sort of book?" After some consideration he went to the leading Melbourne librarian, and asked this question: "What books to you find sell best?"

lo you find sell best?"
"Detective stories," was the prompt eply, "especially those of Gaboriau."
Ir. Hume had not then read any Gabriau, but he wasted no time in repairing the omission, and bought a complete dition of his works.

The result was the story which made its reputation and the seventy novels which have succeeded it. Fergus Hume, t may be mentioned, is credited with benny able to write a force word book in



NO. 9 Wayback—Sure, Murphy's nothin's short uv a dhirty loir. He told me he lived at number noine, an' Oi see there's no noine.

friend that caused Mrs. L. T. Meade to write at the age of seventeen her first book, Ashton Morton. In it she at-tempted to pay a tribute to the memory of this friend.

Helen Mathers again penned *Honey*, one of her three most popular books, chiefly to relieve the long-drawn pain resulting from a bad accident.

The two entirely different endings of Kipling's The Light that Failed, have caused that book to be much discussed. In the first he married the blind hero to

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Among these was a sketch of Fagin's Den, and a picture of Bill Sikes. Dickens was at the time engaged upon the idea of a workhouse story, and the result of this chance visit was Oliver Twist, as it was soon afterward published.

As for Nicholas Nickleby, there does not seem much doubt but that the great novelist conceived the idea of Dotheboys Hall from the advertisement of Mr. Simpson's academy, Woden Croft Lodge, Yorkshire, which he saw in an old copy of the Times.

The famous Captain Kettle, the most popular creation of Mr. Cutcliffe Hyne, was originally a character in a comparatively little-known story by the tall Yorkshireman.

Mr. Hyne, who, at the time, had him-

Oh, others may talk of the joys of the dance
When the music is dreamy and low,
Or the thrill of delight when the soil is unfurled
And the wake is a smother of snc.y;
Or the pleasure a canter on horseback affords,

How the miles rush away from the tire-less machine, How houses and fences fly past! The town is a blur, and the orchards and woods

On a bed of blue violets sweet, With a thrush or a robin to thrill over-

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nead
A silvery song while we eat.
We linger a while under blossomy boughs,
An armful of fragrance to steal
From apple trees freighted with dawy pink buds, pink buds, Then away in the automobile,

Should somebody dear on the seat nes Then slackens the speed of the car, Gliding slowly along in the amethyst

By the light of the bright evening star, There's a question to ask, and an ans wer to hear, And a promise with kisses to seal, And later the bliss of a honeymoo

For the pair in the automobile Minnie Irving, in Leslie's Weekly.

### Dr. Johnson's Jottings.

Music excites in my mind no ideas, and hinders me from contemplating my own. Difficult do you call it, sir? (playing the violin). I wish it were impossible!

mpossible!
I would rather see the portrait of a loog that I know than all the allegorical aintings they can show me in the corld.

world.
One cannot love lumps of flesh, and little infants are nothing more.
Whoever thinks of going to bed before twelve clock is a scoundrel.
Sir, if you mean nothing, say nothing.
Never mind whether they praise or abuse you, anything is tolerable except oblivion.

### A Defence of Stoessel.

SHALL require a good deal more evidence than we at present have before I believe that General Stoessel, far from being the hero that had been supposed, is a fraud, and that when it was surrendered Port Arthur might easily have held out much longer. This, however, we are asked to believe by the correspondents of some of our newspapers who either ome of our newspapers, who either with the Japanese during the siege njoying themselves somewhere else telegraphing home the gossip of the

and telegraphing home the gossip of the market-place.

The siege lasted about nine months, although many military men thought that it could not last half that time. The besiegers vastly outnumbered the besiegers vastly outnumbered the besieged. The attacks were desperate and were repulsed. Certainly more than half the garrison were by the end of the time either killed or severely wounded or were down with fever. Those who could still fight were exhausted with fatigue, many were ill, and many were wounded. The ammunition for the bigger guns had given out. Two or three of the outer forts had been taken, not withstanding a desperate resistance. They absolutely commanded the town and the harbor. Bombs were falling in the hospitals, and there were neither medicines nor-bandages.

If we are to believe Stoessel, and there seems no reason why we should not, the

the at once sat down and rewrite the last four chapters of his book.—Pearson's Weekly.

A Ride in an Automobile.

Oh, others may talk of the joys of the dance
When the music is dreamy and low. Or the thrill of delight when the sail is unfurled
And the wake is a smother of such; or a day with the rod and the real; But give me the reach of a long level road,
And a seat in an automobile!

How the miles rush away from the tireless machine,
How houses and fences fly past!
The town is a blur, and the orchards and woods
In ribbons of green follow fast.
It's adieu to the carriage we meet as we go,
And farewell to the swift-moving wheel,
And good-bye to the trolley we soon overtake
When out in an automobile.

If we are to believe Stoessel, and there seems no reason why we should not, the occupation of the captured forts by the Japanese rendered the defence of the seems no reason why we should not, the occupation of the captured forts by the Japanese rendered the defence of the seems no reason why we should not, the occupation of the captured forts by the Japanese rendered the defence of the seems no reason why we should not, the occupation of the saptured forts by the Japanese rendered the defence of the seems no reason why we should not, the occupation of the captured forts by the Japanese rendered the defence of the seems no reason why we should not, the occupation of the saptured forts by the Japanese rendered the defence of the seems no reason why we should not, the occupation of the saptured forts by the Japanese rendered the defence of the seems no reason why we should not, the occupation of the saptured for saptured for sapture resistance could only be prolonged for a few days, and had the place been taken by assault there would have been a general massacre. Stoessel, therefore, called his general massacre. Stoessel, therefore the would have been a general massacre. To the place been a general massacre. To the same that the moment had come thate the would have been a general massacre. To the same the seat massacr

of the few correspondents who have really scored during this war is the correspondent of the New York Herald, who accompanied the Cossacks in their recent raid, and who telegraphed a graphic account of what happened. As for the correspondents who appear after the event, and favor us with twaddling—and in this case mendacious—gossip, they might as well be walking about in Fleet street for all the light that they throw upon what goes on—Labouchere in London Truth.

### Noisy London.

London claims to be the noisiest city the world. Forty years ago the din the metropolis was so great that a mber of distinguished Britons, headly Charles Dickens, addressed a emorial to Parliament on the subject. The St. James' Gasette has exmemorial to Parliament on the siliject. The St. James' Gazette has exhumed the following curious letter,
written by Dickens, and addressed to
Michael Bass, member of Parliamant.
Among those who signed the letter were
Tenayson, Carlyle, Millais, Holman
Hunt, John Leach, Thomas Creswick
and Wilkie Collins: "Your correspondents are professors and practitioners of
one or other of the arts and sciences.
In their devotion to their pursuits—
tending to the peace and comfort of
mankind—they are daily interrupted,
harrassed, worried, wearied and driven
nearly mad by street musicians. They
are even made especial objects of persecution by brazen performers on brazen instruments, beaters of drums,
grinders of, organs, bangers of banjos,
clashers of cymbals, worriers of fiddles
and bellowers of ballads; for no sooner does it become known to those proer does it become known to those pro-ducers of horrible sounds that any o a week.

Sorrow and pain have been directly the production of more than one popular book. It was grief for the loss of a dear

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# OLDMULL Scotch

Accommodate is a Good Word.

ICHARD BENTLEY was the most learned of England's scholars. He was so successful in correcting corrupt texts in the ancient classics that he resolved to perform the same office for "Paradise Lost." One of the lines he proposed to alter was that beautiful one in the description of Hell—

"No light, but only darkness visible." Bentley thought this was wrong. The poet should have said:

"No light, but only a transpicuous gloom!"

"No light, but only a transpicuous gloom!"

There abound in all walks of life men like Bentley who refuse to express themselves in simple language. They clothe their most ordinary thoughts in ten-syllabled words and roll them out in sweeping periods. Sometimes it is a lawyer at the bar who startles a witness and confounds a jury with an array of unintelligible terms. Or it may be a preacher whose resounding words strike more terror to the souls of his congregation than the spiritual threats embodied in them. With the doctors the thing is a tradition. The long Latin and Greek words they use to describe simple ailments are vulgarly supposed to be their principal stock-in-trade.

Why do so many prefer words of foreign origin when good plain Anglo-Saxon terms would answer the purpose? The reason is not far to seek. Nothing impresses the ignorant so much as what they cannot understand. For the untaught a big word has a fascination of mystery about it. It is beyond their ken and to hear it pronounced trippingly on the tongue inspires respect for the man who is learned enough to use it. Hence big words are oftenest employed by those who know no better way to prove their mental capacity.

The pedant delights in them. He hoards up treasures of quaint and obsolete language and drags them into his conversation on every possible occasion.

conversation on every possible occasion Pope's

"Bookful blockhead, ignorantly read, With loads of learned lumber in his head,"

With loads of learned lumber in his head,"

is always ready to paralyze you with a term you have never heard before.

Probably the study of the dictionary is responsible for a great deal of this. Yet Daniel Webster, who had recourse to his great namesake Noah every day, committing to memory definitions and synonyms, never juggled with difficult words. One may read through his great speeches from exordium to peroration without stumbling over obscure or curious expressions. Dr. Johnson, the first great dictionary-maker, was just the opposite. He dearly loved a long word. As Macaillay puts it: "When he wrote for publication, he did his sentences out of English into Johnsonese." The great doctor sometimes showed this tendency in ordinary conversation. Once he remarked of a play: "It has not wit enough to keep it sweet." Not satisfied with this terse and energetic criticism, he added hastily: "It has not vitality enough to preserve it from putrefaction." The same thought dressed in heavier clothing. Goldsmith hit off this mannerism of Johnson's very keenly when he told him: "Doctor, if you were to write a fable about little fishes you would make them talk like whales."

Sensible people will stick to simple words. Why say a young lady is sebaccous when we merely mean that she is stout? A vertiginous cliff is no more impressive than a giddy precipice. When a man speaks of stillicide we suspect him of murder. People are not afraid of home-sickness, but nostalgia fills them with uneasiness. Accommodate is a good word, as Justice Shallow wisely

with uneasiness. Accommodate is a good word, as Justice Shallow wisely remarked, yet Bardooph, who used it, didn't know what it meant.

These long words are generally in bad taste. Here, as elsewhere, simplicity is the safest course. Good writers eschew terms that require foot-notes. Brilliant talkers also avoid them. They know from experience that learned phrases chill the atmosphere of conversation.

### Are Dogs Vain and Cowardly?

Is the dog all that he is made out to be—the faithful, courageous, intelligent "friend of man," that men talk admir-ingly of, and that ladies "simply adore?" Mr. Andrew Lang, the essayist, thinks Mr. Andrew Lang, the essayist, thinks that the dog has more failings than virtues. He cites the case of a handsome collie, far vainer than many a woman, who passes hours together admiring himself in a looking-glass; and of another, a Dandie Dimont, which has beautiful large brown eyes, is well aware of the fact, and coaxes food by "making eyes" as well as the most experienced coquette.

Then is the dog brave? Try any dog with a ghost—or with what it thinks to

with a ghost—or with what it thinks to be a ghost—and see how courageous i

is!
Mr. Lang does not allow the dog any
virtues at all. It makes, he says, the
family, with which it dwells its slaves,
and it makes the night hideous with its

A man's popularity generally end-when he gets home.

The oftener Cupid hits the mark the more Mrs. he makes.

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The man who boasts that he neither borrows nor lends must lead a very monotonous life.



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E youngest of our choral societies, The Sherlock Vocal Society, celebrated the advent

of their second season by a welcome production of Hay-dn's cheerful oratorio *The Seasons*, at Massey Hall, on Saturday evening last. Although the oratorio is a hundred years old, the occasion, I am informed, signalized its first performance in this city. The work was therefore doubly welcome—first as a novelty, and secondly because it brought back to us echoes of a time when music, to justify its existence, had to be inherentbeautiful in itself, quite irrespective of what it was intended to express, when the orchestra was not made a vehicle for producing "organized noise," when melodies had to be transparently clear, instead of complex and obscure, and when the word morbid as applied to music was unknown. I had not heard the work since 1872, when I was present at its performance at Exeter Hall, London, and after this long in-terval the impression it conveyed was that it had not become threadbare with ige, but still struck one as a charming age, but still struck one as a charming-ly fresh, melodious, naive composition, characterized by remarkable simplicity of expression. The rendering was quite enjoyable, but agreeable as it was, it would have showed more distinction had it not been that Mr. Sherlock's series of rehearsals was interrupted by series of rehearsals was interrupted by a spell of indisposition. The book is founded on passages taken from Thomson's Seasons and is divided into four sections, Spring, Summer, Autumn and Winter. It was somewhat tantalising to hear the chorus sing in the first section Come, gentle Spring, etherial mildness, come; And from her Wintry grave bid drozusy nature rise, at a moment when we were plunged in the rigors of an almost arctic winter, but no doubt the majority of the audience devoutly echoed the invocation. This chorus, by the way, is full of gaiety of heart, of anticipatory gladness. It was sung with plenty of animation, and with good musical tone, and introduced the chorus in a favorable light. Mr. Sherlock had under his baton about two chorus in a favorable light. Mr. Sher-lock had under his baton about two hundred singers and an orchestra of forty of our most accomplished instruforty of our most accomplished instru-imentalists, supported by the organ. The voices as a rule were of clear and sweet quality, the singing was unaffected and frank, and the execution or vocal de-livery exceedingly creditable. The or-chestra, too, gave a good account of themselves, even although occasionally the brass had not been voiced down to the limited strength of the strings. Numthe limited strength of the strings. Num bers that made a hit were the air With joy the impatient husbandman, the duet and chorus Spring her lovely charms unfolding, the chorus with trio God of Light, which was impresively declaimed, the chorus descriptive of the rising of the sun, the storm chorus, the scene The Evening bell has tolled and the Hunting Chorus. The soloists were, Caroline Cutler, soprano, an experienced Boston singer with a warm timbre except in the high notes of her compass, Theodore van York, of New York, a smooth voiced tenor and Julian Walker, a light basso. Those artists were all appreciatively received on varappreciatively received on varwere all ious occasions during the evening. Mrs. Blight was at the organ, and the sup-port she gave was invaluable in several instances.

The comic operetta, *The Ottoman*, by Horace S. Tibbs, jr., and Arthur F. White, two young Torontonians, was given a very friendly reception by a large audience at Massey Hall on Thursday evening of last week. The work abounds in light tunes, and was handsomely staged and costumed. There was a good chorus and a strong orchestra. Those who appeared in principal parts were, Claude C. Kelly, J. Lawlor Woods, Ruby Sullivan, H. S. Tibbs, Jack Kennedy, Ethel Nash, and stancers, Mildred Martin and Hubert Calder. All these participants were as dancers, Mildred Martin and Fither Calder. All these participants were heartily applauded for their efforts. On the whole the librettist and composer may be satisfied with the manner in which the première of joint production was recognized.

An excellent miscellaneous programme has been arranged for the concert of the People's Choral Union in Massey Hall on March 9, under the direction of Mr. Fletcher. The chorus will be the largest the Society has yet put forward, numbering 325 members, comprising 150 sopranos, 50 altos, 45 tenors and 80 basses. Features of the programme will be Fanning's The Miller's Wooing, and Horatio Parker's Hartlold Harfager, for chorus, alto solo and orchestra. This latter work received the prize of \$5,000 at the St Louis World's Fair. The unaccompanied numbers will be The Lark's Song, Mendelssohn; Darkness obscured the Earth, Haydn; Young Nicholas, Moier, folk song, Could I a Maiden Find; Where are you going, Neclinger, and A Topical Song, Hawley. Mmme. Maconda, the New York soprano, will be

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At a concert of the University of To At a concert of the University of To-ronto Women's Glee Club on Thursday, the soloists will be Mrs. W. H. Oli-phant, contralto; Miss Irene C. Love, soprano; Ross B. McKinon, baritone; and George Smedley, banjoist and man-dolinist, assisted by Mrs. Scott-Raff, reader. The concert will be held in the west hall of Toronto University. Seats may be had at Nordheimer's on Monday

"I did not care for the timber of his voice," wrote a critic in comment-ing upon the wooden interpretations of

Here is a delicious notice from a Here is a delicious notice from a London suburban newspaper: "St. John's Church on Sunday was joyful with a wealth of accordant melody. Sometimes the tide of harmony would roll on with a soft low modulation. And anon there would come the pealing, swelling, billowy, strains of a rich, sacred, awful concord. The effect of the harmony of time and tune owed much to the new organist, Mr. —; he is a master of the science of sounds."

Herr Weingartner, the distinguished

Herr Weingartner, the distinguished nductor and musician, in an article Brahms in the Allgemeine Musik Zeitung, thus satirizes the modern style of orchestration apropos of the charge that Brahms scored badly: "Does not sound well! Why? Because it is not Tristanlike, and also has no Queen Mab flavor? He scores badly!—Perhaps just because his scores bidly!—Perhaps just because his scores differ from Wagner's or those of modern orchestral fireworks? Now let us for once look into the matter thoroughly, and see what is our so highly vaunted instrumentation which has made such a notable advance, that one can scarcely see the masic for the scoring. Let us open a number of new scores. After we have impressed on our memory the title, and in many cases the programme, we find as a first common feature—after the pattern of the Nibelungen scores—a special page with a detailed list of the numerous orchestral instruments required and as many as possible to each class; secondly, corresponding to it, a huge number of staves, so that the score looks as if one had to climb up and down a ladder to be able to see all that is going on; thirdly complicated divisions at every moment of the string quintet; fourthly, one harp glissando after another; fifthly, ever so many stopped notes in the horns and trumpets; sixthly, strong and frequently unintermittent use of toneless instruments of precussion, producing mere noise; seventhly, a marked tendency to carry up all instruments Leitung, thus satirizes the modern style of orchestration apropos of the charge less instruments of precussion, produc-ing mere noise; seventhly, a marked tendency to carry up all instruments into their highest registers, where they no longer give out tone, but a shrill scraping, squeeking and whistling; and eightly and finally, the working up of all these clangs into a wild tumult, which admits of no musical articula-tion because it is simply an infernal straw what is played.'

The Klingenfeld String Quartette will The Klingenfeld String Quartette win give their first concert this season on Tuesday, March 14th, in the Conservatory of Music Hall. Mr. Frank S. Welsman will be the pianist and will join in the performance of a quintette by Arensky, which will be heard for the first time in Toronto.

On Monday evening last, the pupils of Miss Lena M. Hayes, gave a very interesting violin recital in the music hall of the Toronto Conservatory of hall of the Toronto Conservatory of Music. The programme comprised selections from various styles of composition and served to demonstrate the technical skill and general qualifications of the students who have been benefitted by Miss Hay's instruction. Among the numbers presented were Wieniawski's 2nd. Mazurka, and Gabriel Marie's Sevenade Badine, played by Master Victor Waiphurg: Bohm's Cazatina—Miss Screnade Badine, played by Master Victor Wainburg; Bohm's Cavatina—Miss Agatha. Geddes; Alard's Faust Fantasie—Miss Norah Hayes; Wieniawski's Legende—Mr. Gordon Langlois; Ries' Adagio, and Wieniawski's Obertass Mazurka—Miss Jessie Copeland; Miss Hayes had the assistance of Miss Norah Lazier, a vocal student of Mr. R. S. Pigott, who contributed three songs, Noel Johnson's Farewell to Summer, Teresa del Riego's God Speed You Dear, and The Violet by Helen Hood; and the programme was further varied by the two piano numbers Grieg's Poeme Erotique and Au Printemps, and Raff's Polka de la Reine, played respectively by Miss Alma Tipp, pupil of Miss Maud Gordon, and Master Ernest Seitz, pupil of Mr. Donald Herald.

the roads were very heavy, the hall was hear Mr. Sousa conduct one of his own

Mr. J. M. Sherlock was presented with a very handsome gold mounted ebony baton by the members of the Sherlock Vocal Society on Saturday evening, just prior to the performance of *The Seasons*. The presentation was made by Mr. Elmer Ogilvie, president of the Society, and bears the inscription, "To J. M. Sherlock, from the members of the Sherlock Vocal Society, July Ech Logarity and Sherlock Vocal Society and Sherlock Vocal Society and Sherlock Vocal Society.

Mr. Rechab Tandy's recent concer Mr. Rechab Tandy's recent concert trip westward was very successful. Of his singing in Sarnia, Ontario, the Obscruer says: "Mr. Tandy was in fine form, and had to respond to many encores. His excellent rendition of such favorites as The Lost Chord, Sullivan; Adams' Veteran's Song, and De Koven's setting of Kipling's Recessional called forth enthusiastic applause." Mr. Tandy is announced to sing in a recital at Kingston, Ontario, on the 20th inst. on the occasion of the opening of a new organ in that city. new organ in that city.

At the Wednesday evening meeting in connection with the Anniversary services of Parkdale Presbyterian Church, held last week, the following choir numbers, under the direction of Mr. Edmund Hardy, Musical Bachelor, the organist and choir-leader, acceptably varied the programme of speeches by varied the programme of speeches by visiting ministers: anthem, Glory to Thee, my God This Night, Gounod, solos by Mrs. Leonora James-Kennedy and Mr. Arthur Trimble; solo, Honor and Arms, Handel, Mr. F. T. Verrall; trio, Protect us Through the Coming Night, Nicolao, Mrs. James-Kennedy, Mrs. Edmund Hardy, Mr. Trimble; anthem, Come ye Faithful, E. Cuthbert Nunn. The minister, Rev. A. L. Geggie, in closing the service, referred in gie, in closing the service, referred in feeling terms to the approaching withdrawal of Mr. Hardy from his choir daties in connection with the church. Owing to the growth of Mr. Hardy's duties at the Toronto Conservatory of Music, he had been compelled to send in his resignation, which was very reluctantly accepted by the Members of Session of the church. The relations of Mr. Geggie and Mr. Hardy had been of the happiest nature during the five years of their association, and no discord had ever marred the harmony gie, in closing the service, referred cord had ever marred the harmony which had always prevailed. Mr Hardy's successor has not yet been ap pointed.

A Nice newspaper says: "The Municipal Casino, for the opera night on Thursday, was crowded with a fashionable audience, the attraction, evidently, being the first appearance at Nice of Mlle. Donalda, the young Canadian cantatrice in Massenet's Manon. The young artiste's success was very great, it is gratifying to say. She has undoubted talent allied to youth and beauty. Her voice is of crystalline purity, and particularly rich in the lower register. Then her method is perfect, denoting careful training. How delightful to hear a singer who shows reverence for the composer's music! After so many mature Manons, what a treat to hear and see an artiste, whose youth shoue from her beautiful eyes. In the second act, when richly dressed in Pompadour act, when richly dressed in Pompadour silks and paniers, she enters, and sings "Ne suis-je pas belle comme cela!" the audience responded with a unanimous "Oui!" The beautiful morceau, "Nous n'avons pas toujours vingt ans," was rendered with a dainty grace that fairly charmed the audience. In all the other scenes, in the first act, with Des Grieux, and in that of St. Sulpice, touchingly rendered, the young artiste was feted and applauded. Mile, Donalda had for partner M. Salignac, an excellent Des Grieux, with whom she had already sing at Montreal. Massenet's opera was beautifully staged, and the Louis XV. ballet in the second act was a feast for the eyes. Altogether a delightful evening was passed." act, when richly dressed in Pompadou ing was passed.'

Mr. Caruso, the great tene that "a man or woman of high nervo that "a man or woman of high hervoin temperament alone can succeed as a lyrico-dramatic artist. In the great operas a severe strain is put upon the principal singers; for while they are portraying love, hate, or revenge—the two fatter sometimes in a whirtwind so to speak of orchestral music and some—they have the whole time to song—they have the whole time watch the conductor, keep time a rhythm, and fail not at the same time reproducing with perfect accuracy composer's music. The nervous tension therefore, it is obvious, must be fa greater on the operatic artist than it is on the actor, who only has to think o his action and his words, while the actor-singer has to think of action words, and music. In the proper ex-position of these lies that which con tributes to success."

The Londoners take Mr. Sousa very seriously indeed. The World of that city actually feels impelled to protest against "the untenable claims on be-half of Mr. Sousa put forward by in

crowded. This concert is an annual marches is an indispensable part of a event under the auspices of the Ontario complete musical education. There is event under the auspices of the Ontario Fruit Growers' Association. Last year's programme was furnished by the same company, and with such satisfaction that they were re-engaged for this season's concert. The general verdict was that the concert was the best ever given in Burlington.

Mr. J. M. Sherlock was presented with a very handsome gold mounted with a very handsome gold mounted same relationship to his music as the same relationship to his music as the same relationship to his music as the may be canced orchestra. His gestures stand orchestra. His gestures stand same relationship to his music as the facial expresion of M. de Pachman to his playing. They are wholly external to it, and yet, an inseparate of it. . To sum up, Sown and need do part of it. To sum up, Sousa is an admirable tonic, and need do no harm to the most highly developed musical sensibility. Only we must not imagine that there is more in him that there really is.

There wouldn't be so many fellow on their uppers if the millionaires only had enough daughters to go around. In the matter of advice it is often wel to shake before taking.

Giving the devil his due proves the there is always the devil to pay.

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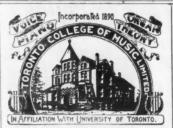
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The following lecture closes the series | nection with the Bible? The truth i nection with the Bible? The truth is, good is good wherever found, inside the Bible or outside. Truth is truth and error is error, wherever they appear. There is nothing true or good in the Bible that is vitiated in the slightest degree by any errors or imperfections which may be discovered in any other part of this large collection of literature.

An unwarranted method of interpret-An unwarranted method of interpretation of the Bible is that which teaches that all its parts are of equal value. How can those parts taken up with genealological tables, or with accounts of cruel wars, be of equal value with the moral and spiritual parts? How can the Apocalypse, with its wild visions that nobody understands or ever did, be equal in value with the Sermon on the Mount? Who in his right mind believes that the pessimistic wail of Ecclesiastes, "Vanity of vanities, all is vanity," is as truly inspired and worth as much as St. John's "Beloved, now are we the sons of God"? The truth is, the whole Christian world, whatever its theory on the subject may be, shows that it does not really believes the its theory on the subject may be, shows that it does not really believe all parts of the Bible to be of equal value, by the fact that it selects some portions for use a thousand times over and does not select other portions at all.

progress must be made. It is the law of life. It is God's law. And the sooner we learn to adjust ourselves to it and welcome it, and open our minds gladly to the new truth which alone renders it possible, the better we shall fill our places and do our right work in the world.

Let me point out certain methods of Bible interpretation which have been very generally accepted in the past and which are widely in vogue still, but which scholarship is condemning as no longer justifiable in the light of present Bible without question as perfect and infalled truth; we must not even allow ourselves to entertain the thought or the possibility of error in it, but must do at the possibility and the possibility of error in it, but must do at the possibility and the possibility of error in it, b

One man finds in the Bible teachings in favor of a moderate use of wine; another in favor of total abstinence. One quotes it in support of slavery, another against. The believer in free will finds free will in the Bible in a hundred places. The believer in election finds

Some one has said: "A Scripture text like a coupon railway ticket, should al

like a coupon railway ticket, should always be stamped, Not good if detached."
You have perhaps heard of the eminent but eccentric preacher in England, at the time when enormous top-knots of hair were worn by ladies, preaching one day from the text, "Top-not come down." Everybody in the congregation was surprised that there was such a taxt in the Bibla. But on looking for it text in the Bible. But on looking for i it was there, sure enough, in Matthew' Gospel: "Let him who is on the house

Gospel: "Let him who is on the house-top not come down."

A story is told of a man who offered to prove to another by Scripture that he (the other man) ought immediately to commit suicide. This is the way he did it. "Judas went out and hanged himself" (such a chapter and verse). "Go thou and do likewise" (such a chapter and verse). "What thou doest do quickly" (such a chapter and verse). Thus there was a clear case of the Bible enjoining immediate suicide.

These are extreme cases of the unwarrantable use of Scripture, by detaching bits from their proper connections

ing bits from their proper connections and settings, and thus making then convey meanings wholly foreign to those which were in the minds of the writers

which were in the minds of the writers. Yet there is a vast amount of just such use of Scripture. That is one reason why we find persons proving every manner of doctrine from the Bible.

Mr. Barnum, the great showman, once proved to the people who wanted free passes to his show that the Scriptures distinctly forbade such passes. He printed a card with the following Scripture texts upon it:

"Search the Scriptures."

"Thou shalt not pass." Num. 20: 18.

"Suffer not a man to pass." Judges 3: 28.

3: 28.
"The wicked shall no more pass.

Nahum 1: 15.
"None shall pass." Isa. 34: 10.
"This generation shall not pass."
Matt. 13: 30.
"Though they roar they cannot pass."

"Though they roar they cannot pass."

Jer. 5: 22.

"So he paid the fare thereof and went." Jonah 1: 3.

Could an array of Scripture be stronger to prove that Mr. Barnum ought not to grant any free passes, but should demand a fare from every one were weather the search is show? who wanted to see his show?

I have heard many a sermon and read many a book devoted to proving posi-tions held by the preacher or the author by using Scripture texts in exactly the way employed by Mr. Barnum—that is, by gathering them from any part of the Bible where he could find them, and us-Another method of Bible interpretation quite as mistaken and misleading is that which insists upon finding a unity and harmony of teaching throughout the Bible. Do you think that if there were a unity and harmony of teaching in all its parts, there would be two or three hundred different Christian sects all drawing their different doctrines from its pages? No, the Bible contains divergent and often conflicting views.

terious meanings, symbols, types, hidden significations, endless foreshadowings and predictions, instead of accepting it as the simple, natural, beautiful thing that it really is.

A distinguished clergyman of New York preaches a sermon on "The Ark," and says to his hearers solemnly: "I notice that the door in the ark was in the side of the ark: it was a side door; we are distinctly told so in the Scriptures; and I have to tell you that the door of the ark of God's mercy in Christ is in the side: it is through the pierced side, the bleeding side, the wideopen side of the son of God. That is the side door." Thus we are given to understand that the door being made in the side of the ark was something wonderful, something of deep symbolic and prophetic significance, as if doors of structures were usually not in their sides, but in their roofs or their floors.

Men preach sermons and series of sermons, and write books on the mystical meanings of the tabernacle, the altar, the showbread, the Old Testament sacrificial system, and the way in which all these things prefigure Christ and Christianity.

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horse; this represents a deteriorated un derstanding; then a black horse, which means a darkened understanding.

Jesus was born in a manger to teach the world a great lesson. The horse represents understanding. It gets its food from a manger. God puts Jesus in a manger to teach men that He (Je-

in a manger to teach men that He (Jesus) was the truth upon which the understanding must feed.

I might go on for hours giving illustrations of this method of interpreting the Bible, which makes it a book of riddles and puzzles and endless mysteries, for unfortunately this method is one which, in one form or another, meets us wherever we go in the reone which, in one form or another, meets us wherever we go in the religious world. But it is a delusion and a snare. There is nothing but intellectual confusion and moral emptiness in it. Real scholarship gives no countenance to it whatever. To attempt to interpret the Bible in any such way is simply to enter upon an endless road that leads nowhere and to nothing. Exactly these same methods of interpretation may be applied to any other book and with exactly as valuable results. They are applied by Miss Bacon and others to the interpretation of Shakespeare, and you all know with what a ridiculous outcome. They are also applied to all the other sacred books of the world outside our own; and there, just as in the case of our Bible, they simply lead their devotees on endless quests which always result in grasping nothing. nothing.

So much, then, for false and mislead-

this principle the higher criticism is based. In harmony with this principle all intelligent study of the Bible must bear in mind that the religion which it

possibility of intelligent and trustworthy interpretation. An equally false method of Bible interpretation is that which sets out with the claim, "All or none"—'the Bible must either be accepted as a belief with the claim, "All or none"—'the Bible must either be accepted as a belief with the claim, "All or none"—'the Bible must either be accepted as a belief with the claim, "All or none"—'the Bible must either be accepted as a belief with the claim, "All or none"—'the Bible must either be accepted as a belief with the claim, "All or none"—'the Bible set and the perfect of the proposition with the claim, "All or none"—'the Bible should be thought of a window of the proposition with the claim, and a state of the passage you are perfected.' This was the position main aim and the passage of the prophetical books and the Pasims of the prop

to it everywhere; the lines are not clearly drawn between history and leg-

Another thing not less important to e remembered is, that our modern the-logies and habits of theological thinkologies and habits of theological thinking were unknown to the men from whom our Scriptures come. The writers of the Bible had not our creeds or anything like them. Many of the doctrines which we teach so earnestly and bolster up by texts drawn from Bible writers, those writers never heard of It cannot be repeated too often, that the Bible is a book of religion and life, not of creeds and theologies. not of creeds and theologies.

If we would understand and interpret the Bible correctly, we must emphasize the spirit above the letter. "The letter killeth," said Paul, "but the spirit giveth life." There are many things in the Bible which we wish were not there—many things which do not stand the tests of the higher standards which the Bible itself sets. But are to the general parts of the results of the set of the general set. letter killeth," said Paul, "but the spirit giveth life." There are many things in the Bible which we wish were not there—many things which do not stand the tests of the higher standards which the Bible itself sets up. But as to the general spirit of the Bible there can be but one judgment. It is the spirit of earnestness, of sincerity, of faithfulness, of care for spiritual things as contrasted with material, of eternal things as compared with temporal, of intense devotion to the service of God and religion. This spirit was never more needed in the world than it is to-day. Where can we get it? I know of no source from which it can be drawn so effectually as from the Bible. More or less of the letter of the Bible will pass away. But the spirit of the Bible will not pass away. So far as we can see, it will remain a source of moral invigoration, uplifting and inspiration to men forever.

We shall utterly mistake in our interpretation of the Bible if we do not be a rin mind that the religion which it portrays to us in a growth, is a developportrays to us in a growth, is a development, and that in the Bible it appear portrays to us is a growth, is a develop

Where are we to find our standard? In the lowest? No. In the highest? Yes. We must go for our standard to what the development finally reached: not to what it started from. This means that in reading the Bible for instruction, for can, which was the control of the co

In order to a true understanding of the Bible, it is important to remember that this literature is Oriental, and has many distinctively Oriental characteristics; it is largely composite; it is largely composite; it is largely anonymous; it has much less logical order than is generally found in Western literature; the element of the imagination is strong in it; it does not discriminate clearly between prose and poetry; the miraculous finds easy access to it everywhere: the lines are not for religion and a more genuine revertor.

before; to create in him a deeper love for religion and a more genuine rever-ence for God than he has ever known. As the result of the new interpretation the old Bible goes, but it leaves in its place another, that is not a fetich, that does not engender superstition, that does not fetter man's mind, that can-not hinder human progress, that is full as no other book coming down to us as no other book coming down to us from the past is full, of spiritual life and moral power.

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### Monkey Plays Joke

A funny story is told of an Englishman who was in India and who owned a monkey that was as mischievous as most monkeys are. Looking out of his window one day the gentleman saw his window one oay the gentleman saw his cook plucking a fow! preparatory to cooking it for dinner. On the ground at a little distance lay the monkey pre-tending that he was dead, while a flock of crows were hopping about a little way distant, divided between the desire for the kitchen offal and the fear of the possibly shamming monkey. One crow, more adventurous than the rest, came within the magic distance and

came within the magic distance and was instantly in the clutch of the monkey. At the same moment the cook, having finished trussing the fowl, put it into the pot and went away.

The monkey plucked the crow as he had just seen the cook pluck the fowl, took the fowl out of the pot, put the crow in and retired with his exchange. When the cook came back and saw the fowl left for his master's luncheon fowl left for his master's turned black, he was struck with terror believing that the evil one had inter-fered to bring about such a startling result. Meanwhile the monkey was en-joying the fowl he had stolen.—Detroit News-Tribune.

Even an intellectual feast depends largely on the mental digestion.

Some girls waste a lot of time looking for the ideal man when there are a lot of real ones lying around loose.

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"In Austin one afternoon," says Senator Bailey of Texas, "a number of State legislators and not a few lawyers were telling stories of bear-hunting. A six-footer from the Guadaloupe bottoms told a story of slaughter of the bruin family that would have been culculated to astonish the late Baron Munchausen. The teller of this story was, of course, the hero of the devastation related, and it seemed pretty clear from his recital that he had exterminated all the bears once so thick in the dense cane-brakes and swampy jungles of his region:

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"When the six-footer had finished his tale there arose a chorus of dissent. Nearly every man present swore roundly against the improbability of the adventures. In fact, several of his auditors did not scruple to apply a plain epithet to that individual; and a general

clamor ensued.

"Against this popular verdict there was found only one champion. This was a wiry little man who, up to that time, had not spoken a word.

"Gentlemen," remarked he, when the noise had subsided, 'I believe every word our friend has uttered. You are incredulous simply because you haven't had his opportunity for slaughtering big game. Now, I myself have had experiences in that line, back in old Mississippi, that I almost dread to tell you of, lest you should think that I, too, were drawing on my imagination.

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"'I could tell you of the greatest bear hunt in history, back there on Deer bear hunt in history, back there on Deer Creek We started our game one Saturday morning' and followed him through six counties, camping on his trail every night. His tracks were of the size of a bushel measure. At the end of the third week we caught up with him, our dogs having brought him to bay in a thick swamp. I was in the lead of my comrades, and as I approached the scene gave a yell of encouragement to the dogs. With that they closed on the bear. With one stroke of his terrible paw that bear slew forty-eight of the best hunting dogs in Mississippi, and the rest fled. I avenged my dogs by shooting the bear through the brain. He weighed some 1,200 pounds." some 1,200 pounds.

"When the wiry little man had finished his story there was not a word, except from the man from Guadaloupe. "That's an infernal lie!" he shouted, "In a twinkle the man from Mississippi had jumped for the fellow, and News.

One day in the cloak-room of the Senate, apropos of a discussion whether, from an intellectual standpoint, states-men of the present fall below the stan-dard set by those of the past, one of the members told the following story:

"There lived in Lee County, Kentucky, a local sage by the name of Jesse Cole. Jesse entertained the notion that the present-day type of lawyer was not to be compared with the jurists of the old days.

"One day as he was entering the court-house at Beattyville, he noticed a group of lawyers who were discussing the points of a case that was to come up that day. Cole, disgusted by their conversation, stepped up to them, and

"'Gentlemen, thirty or forty years ago the lawyers in this State were mengreat, big, immense men, wearing fur hats as big as bushel blaskets. But now, gentlemen, I honestly believe that a fellow could without the least difficulty draw a tomato-can over the head of any one of you!"

# Catchup.

The rapid disappearance of coal from his bin alarmed Major Higgins, and he determined to trace it. He ques-tioned the man who tended the fur-

"'Rastus," he asked, "where do you reckon my coal has disappeared to?" Erastus scratched his head thought-

fully.

"Wal, suh," he replied, "Ah—Ah—Ah
—Ah reckon dem squihels done took
it." "Squirrels? Take coal? Nonsense!"
"Yessah, squihels, Major Higgins.
Dat was nut coal, suh."—Chicago

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# Rulers and Revolutions.

N the dark days before the German N the dark days before the German Empire, before Bismarck had become a name in the world, King William and Bismarck sat together in a dark railway carriage, travelling to Berlin. The country was ringing with the "iron and blood" speech, and the old King was alarmed. He looked out upon the lights of Berlin. "I see how this will end," he said. "In front of the Opéra there under my

"I see how this will end," he said. "In front of the Opéra there, under my windows, they will chop off your head, and mine a little later."

The time has gone by in Europe when Kings cannot forget King Charles' head, but the prospect of the world from a despotic throne is not yet roses, roses all the way. It must seem anything indeed but seen to the Cran who roses all the way. It must seem anything, indeed, but rosy to the Czar, who looks out upon it from the windows of his palace at Tsarskoe Selo, near St. Petersburg. Not often, in the unfolding drama of the world, has it fallen to a King to listen to the despairing cry of his people in such momentous language as that addressed to the Czar, rever, perhaps, since the first King was crowned, has one man been called upon to turn suddenly into a new path the lives of over a hundred million human beings.

Once to every man and nation Comes the moment to decide;

and the Czar's moment has come in terrible hour. So, on a fateful Suna terrible hour. So, on a fateful Sunday long ago, it came to his father. Assassination, said Disraeli, has never brought about the progress of the world by a single inch, and no crime was ever fraught with more appalling consequences for a race than the murder of Alexander II. Had the Nihilists stayed their hand but for a day, or had the Emperor signed his name the day before, there might have been no crisis in St. Petersburg today no war abroad

the Emperor signed his name the day before, there might have been no crisis in St. Petersburg to-day, no war abroad, no discontented people at home.

The Emperor put off his fateful act until "to-morrow." Loris Melikoff, the Armenian soldier who held the place in Russia then which Pobyedonostseff holds to-day, had triumphed, and Alexander II. had promised a Constitution. It was written out, and ready for signature. But the Emperor left the palace without signing it; he was going to see his troops, and the signature would do when he came back. He came back a mangled mass, blown to pieces by a Nihilist, Loris Melikoff fell from power and Pobyedonostseff reigned in his stead, and to-day, it is said, the Constitution is still preserved in a mysterious State-box. But the name without which it is nothing is still missing. In the supreme moment, once again, a Carhad waited until it was too late.

A former Khedive of Egypt knew better. His moment found him ready for its call. The supreme event of a revolution in Egypt should have been, according to the programme, the killing of Tewfik, who knew well the fate his enemies had in store for him. His case was almost parallel with the Czar's. His enemies were around the Czar's. His enemies were around the Czar's. His enemies were around the Czar's the fate his enemies were around the Czar's the fate his enemies were around the Czar's. His enemies were around the Czar's the fate his enemies were around the Czar's the fate his enemies were around the Czar's. His enemies were around the Czar's the fate his enemies were around the Czar's the fate his enemies were around the Czar's. His enemies were around the Czar's the fate his enemies were around the care the fate his enemies were around the care the fate his enemies

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The conspirators called at the palace,

in a Roman arena before the wild beasts were uncaged."

The conspirators called at the palace, and the Khedive watched them from the window. Tewfik sent his aide-de-camp to receive them, and the warmth of their welcome disarmed them more effectively than any force. His Highness, said the aide-de-camp was expecting them, and would see them at once. Ushered into his presence, the rebels found themselves alone with the man they had come to murder. Calm and undisturbed, the Khedive claimed the right of every man to speak before he died. He explained the situation quietly and with common sense; pointed out that as things stood the British would support his rule as long as he was alive, but would probably take the country for themselves if he should die. And in any case he would confer upon the leader of the band the Order of the Medjidieh, and would appoint the rest his bodyguard. It appoint the rest his bodyguard. I was a master stroke; the murderer dropped their arms and swore to de fend the Khedive.

fend the Khedive.

To many of us, however vividly it is presented, the tragedy of St. Petersburg is a thing remote. To one woman who will follow it in the English papers, however, it will be real and tragical enough. A full generation has passed since a wild Paris mob surged into the Tuileries and attacked the palace. At a window, looking calmly out upon the mob stood the Empress of France, Eugenie.

off trance, Eugenie.

It was the end of an Empire. Napoleon III. had fallen at Sedan, had surrendered his sword and shattered his crown in an hour. Helpless among his troops, the Emperor sought in vain, when the day was lost, to stop the war. "Drop that rag. I mean to fight on." burst out his general, and the fallen sovereign was as nothing in the hour of his defeat. Far away in his capital his Empress faced the angry mob. The storm grew in strength around the palace, and Eugénie stood alone. Not one of those who should have been at her side was in his place. If the expected always happened, it should have been her last hour.

But there was one brain in the palace which saved that awful tragedy. M. de Lesseps was there. He had built of France, Eugenie.

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the civil population armed itself, and would have torn the duke to pieces. At any cost they would have their Constitution. Suddenly, in the dead of midnight, a greater power than kings or people can contradict intervened within the palace. The duke had died a natural death at the moment his people thirsted for his blood.

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But the story of the world is full of ed for his blood.

But the story of the world is full of dramatic moments. What, after all, is history but the record of moments and events which have been decided in them? It is to the honor of the human race that generally, at the supreme time, men have not failed. Metternich fled from Vienna, the Czar's father shut himself up at Gatschina in fear of assassination, and Isabella II. of Spain ran away from Spain after telegraphing to her Prime Minister that she was delighted to be rid of a nation of thieves and assassins. But Maximilian stayed in Mexico and died a hero; Napoleon went to Paris from Waterloo and would have fought the world again; and history is full of examples of rulers who, whether they could rule their people or not, could rule themselves in defeat.

The strong man is he who needs no revolution, but is there not strength even in the recognition of weakness when revolution comes? We may at least claim wisdom, if not strength, for that picturesque figure whom a countryman in a little Holstein town took for a clown, and, going up to him, said: "When are you going to begin?" For

a clown, and, going up to him, said:
"When are you going to begin?" For him, unhappily, there was no more beginning. His supreme moment belonged to the past; he had marked it by stepping down from a European throne.

### Stories of Stoessel.

TOESSEL'S telegram to the Emperor, writes a St. Petersburg correspondent, has created a profound reaction in his favor, particularly as the Russian public remember the many adventures that have marked this daring man's career. For example, in his early days, when a captain of the Imperial Dragoons, Stoessel was on duty at the Anitchkoff Palace, when one day passing through the splendid saloons he was amazed to encounter a gigantic Pole from Cracow. It is extraordinary, considering the elaborate precautions taken by the secret police, how many unauthorized and suspicious persons enter the Czar's many palaces with apparent impunity.

nted access to the Imperial presence, at once became violent.

There was a tremendous struggle, the young officer doing everything possible to prevent the man drawing a knife. to prevent the man drawing a knife. The unwelcome visitor, however, was fast overcoming his adversary, when, with a swift and resolute movement. Port Arthur's dogged defender tripped him and threw him to the polished parquet floor with a tremendous crash, which brought high and low officials and members of the secret police, running excitedly from all parts of the big palace.

palace.

An hour or so later the Nevski Prospekt was thronged with people; and the Russ, the Novosti, and other more or less enterprising journals were rushing out scare editions about attempted assassination. For which temerity by the way, a few years ago the journals would have been wiped out of existence by the Imperial censor.

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Another time Stoessel, now a full colonel, nearly lost his life crossing Lake Baikal in a tarantass. He was on his way to do some inspection duty, and had been assured at the last étape, or stage, that the ice was all right. A blinding snow-storm came on, however, and the driver lost his way. Suddenly—certainly not without considerable warning—the ice gave way in all directions, and the big cumbersome vehicle, with horses, driver, passenger and all, not to mention Colonel Stoessel's valuable papers and instruments, were precipitapapers and instruments, were precipit ted into the lake.

Fortunately there are regular routes of travel across Lake Baikal (at one part of the year a light railway is even laid on the ice); and Stoessel, who, among his other accomplishments, is a rapid and powerful swimmer and a man of great physical toughness, was extricated from the icy water. The horses were, of course, drowned, as also was the driver, who was pretty full up with vodka, the national drink of the peasantry.

of the peasantry. It is well known that some men get their fill of adventure. No sooner are they out of one than they are into an-other. Stoessel is one of these. He has been in command of troops, called out to quell more or less serious re-volts rists and insurrections, more re-

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men do, but we cannot keep ourselves ooking like that with all our care.' Our newspaper woman smiled and said. Come with me to the Graham Derma-ological Institute, have a face treatneut and you will illustration low will deep young." When the treatment were furshed and the ladies had ad nired each other and themselves, the distor remarked again, "Well now mired each other and themselves, the visitor remarked again, "Well now I do inderstand, and I think we ought to be able to get as good treatments in our city, but we do not. When I was abroad, the treatments I got, even in London, at the best places, seemed like mere child's play to those given by the ladies at the Graham Institute. After this I shall know what to do whenever I visit Toronto, and," turning to her friend, "I am glad you brought me, for to-night I shall be just as lovely as the others."

## Phrases Authors Avoid.

There are scores of well-known phrases and a whole host of words which are taken exception to by many of the best-known authors. Nearly every prominent writer has some pet antipathy of speech. "Female" is a word antipathy of speech. "Female" is a word which one novelist never permits himself to use; whilst another will have nothing to do with "comical." "There is more than one word in the English language that absolutely makes me grit my teeth," says a well-known writer. 'Galore' I detest, and 'rotten' in its modern British application is a word I avoid. But my pet detestation is a harmless little fellow that goes by the name of comical. That I cannot stand. The use of it by a writer makes me doubt his possession of a keenly analytical humorous sense.

The pet aversion of yet another writer is, "Suiting the action to the word."

is, "Suiting the action to the word."
"If one," he says, "becomes a slave of hackneyed transitions—those well-worn stepping-stones of rhetoric—it will haunt him persistently, and follow him for years." "Genius," "fondle," and "nasty" are other words that are neither use nor liked by some literary men.



SOCIETY-

Mrs. Harry B. Stirling, (née Slaght) will receive for the first time since her marriage, the 3rd and 4th Tuesdays of this month, at 6 Pembroke street.

Mrs. C. H. Mortimer had a large Mrs. C. H. Mortimer had a large gathering for tea on Thursday aftermoon of last week, at her charming new home in Rosedale. The tea-room was beautifully decorated in yellow and white, lilies of the valley and daffodils adorning the tea-table. Mrs. E. F. Clarke presided, assisted by Miss Phylis Clarke, Miss Graydon, Miss Smith and three other young ladies. Among those present were Mrs. Addison, Mrs. McIlroy, Mrs. Chambers, Mrs. Fred Kent, Mrs. Ball, Mrs. Wilkes, Mrs. Eastwood, Mrs. Alexander, and Mrs. Graydon.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Currie are now settled in their new home, 24 Tyndall avenue, where Mrs. Currie will receive on 1st and 3rd Thursdays for the bal-ance of the season.

Mrs. Thomas Robertson and Mrs. Charles Riggs left on Sunday for Cali-fornia, where they will spend the next

A correspondent writes: "The Temple Building will be aglow with music and entertainment on the evening of Friday, March 3, for the guests of Wilson Lodge A. F. & A. M. Invitations are being issued for their At Home, which has proved such a success in former years. Names of invited guests are being submitted through Mr. J. Alva Carveth, 434 Yonge street, secretary of the committee in charge."

The marriage took place on Thursday, February C, in New York, of Miss Marjoric Johnston to Dr. A. H. Barsamian. The ceremony was performed at All Angels' Church, 81st street and West End avenue, by Rev. R. W. Ernest Merington, in the presence of relatives and friends, after which the couple left on an extended trip to Washington and Florida. The bride is well-known in Toronto, being a graduate of Bishop Strachan's and St. Monica's Schools, and was at the time of her marriage in her third year at Trinity University. She is the youngest daughter of the late Alexander Johnston, M. P. P., and Mayor of Strathroy. Dr. Barsamian is a well-known physician of New York, as were his father and grandfather. Upon their return from their honeymoon, the happy couple will reside in West 81st street, New York. The marriage took place on Thursda

On Wednesday, February 8th, at Holy Trinity Church, Ottawa East, Miss Madge Soutter, daughter of Mr. Alex Soutter of the Senate, was quietly matried to Mr. T. Percival Johnson, c.E. Only the immediate relatives were present. The ceremony was performed by Rev. F. Squire, rector of Holy Trinity, assisted by Rev. J. Fisher, brother-in-law of the groom. The church was prettily decorated for the occasion with white lilacs, palms and evergreens. The boy choir was in attendance. Mrs. Fisher presided at the organ. The bride who was given away by her father, wore a smart traveling gown of brown broadcloth, with picture hat to match. She also wore handsome mink furs, the gift of the groom. She carried a prayer Toronto's Lovely and Youthful Women.

A charming visitor to Toronto remarked recently to one of our clever newspaper women, "How is it that the Toronto women are so lovely and youthful mappearance? It seems to me that each time I see them they have grown younger instead of older. Is it your climate that acts so beneficially on their complexions and figures? Of course, I suppose they use cremes and things, the same as all our well groomed women do, but we cannot keep ourselves

An event of interest to the Not-Outs was the dance given by Mrs. E. W. Lawrence, on St. Valentine's night, in honor of her neice Miss Kisa Pointon.

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